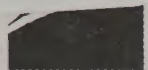


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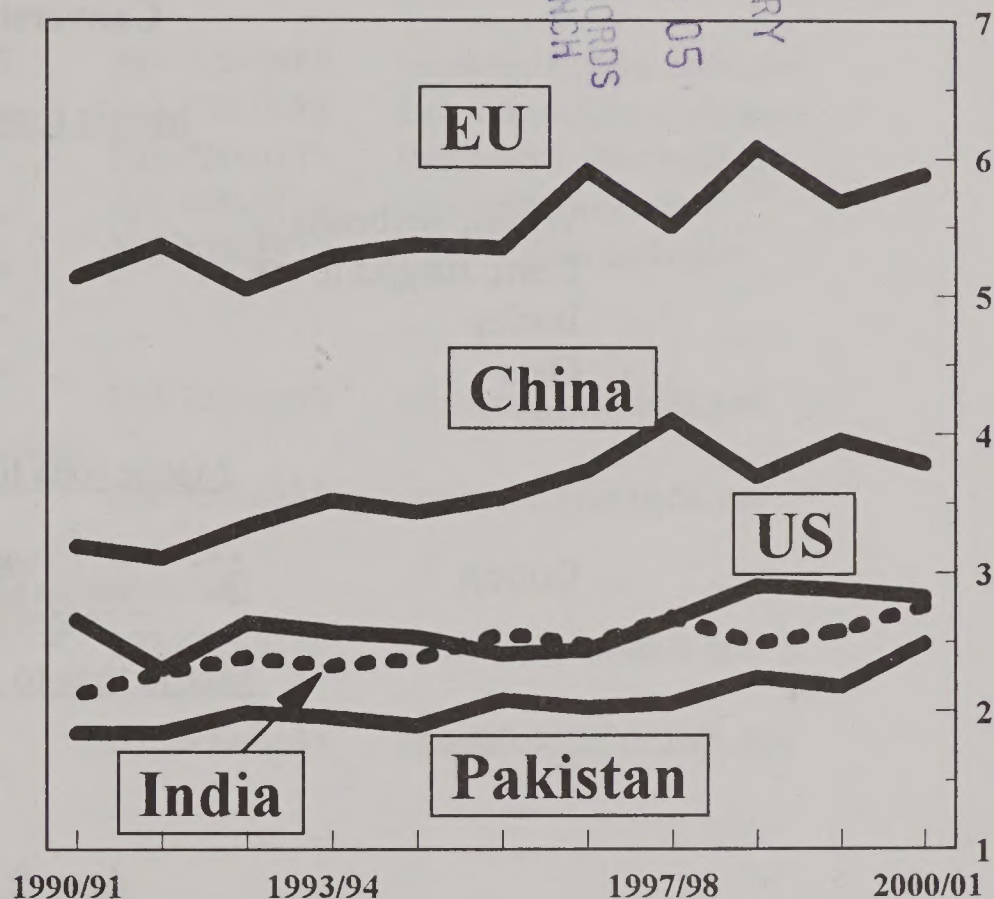
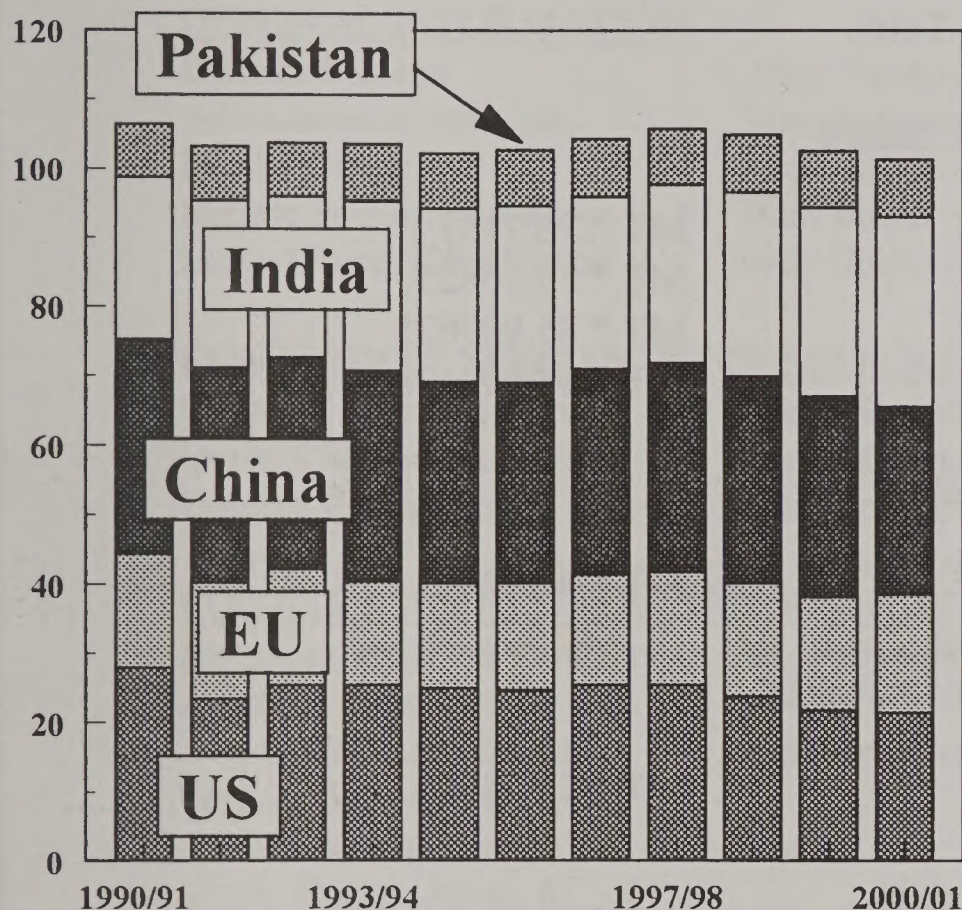
Wheat Area in Key Countries to Drop in 2001/02

Area

Yield

Million Hectares

Metric Tons/Hectare



Low prices and poor planting conditions are expected to lead to significant reductions in wheat planted area, with commensurate reductions in output in several key producer countries, including the United States, the EU, India, and Pakistan. China, despite likely substantial reductions in area, may experience a slight increase in production following favorable winter and spring conditions to date.

In the EU, extremely wet conditions across the region will severely reduce wheat area, with the United Kingdom, France, and Italy leading the decline. Conversely, prolonged dry conditions, followed by cool, wet weather in the United States southern plains led to reduced plantings. The late plantings led to poor emergence and thin stands in some key areas. Cold, wet spring weather further delayed crop progress.

Low prices to producers in India and Pakistan arising from last years' bumper harvests, along with dry planting conditions for rainfed wheat areas and reduced irrigation supplies in Pakistan are anticipated to cut area to multi-year lows in both countries. Given reported year-to-year drops in fertilizer use, reduced final output from last year's record crops appears unavoidable.

This report uses information from the Foreign Agricultural Services' global network of agricultural attaches and counselors; official statistics of foreign governments and other foreign source materials; and the results of economic and satellite imagery analysis. Estimates of foreign area, yield and production are from the Production Estimates and Crop Assessment Division, FAS, and are reviewed by USDA's Inter-Agency Commodity Estimates Committees. Estimates of U.S. area, yield and production are from USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Numbers within the report may not add to totals because of rounding. This report reflects official USDA estimates released in the World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE-373), April 10, 2001.

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Metric tons to bushels

Wheat, soybeans	=	MT * 36.7437
Corn, sorghum, rye	=	MT * 39.36825
Barley	=	MT * 45.929625
Oats	=	MT * 68.894438

Metric tons to 480-lb bales

Cotton	=	MT * 4.592917
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Metric tons to hundredweight

Rice	=	MT * 22.04622
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Area & Weight

1 hectare	=	2.471044 acres
1 kilogram	=	2.204622 pounds

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PRODUCTION BRIEFS

Argentina: Soybean Production Forecast Higher, but Sunflowerseed Production Falls

Argentina's 2000/01 soybean production is forecast at a record 26.0 million tons, up 1.0 million or 4 percent from last month, and up 23 percent from last season's record production of 21.2 million. A much larger soybean area than last year and good yields for both single-crop and second-crop account for the record production. Argentina's 2000/01 sunflowerseed production is estimated at 3.5 million tons, down 0.5 million or 13 percent from last month and down 43 percent from last year. A large decrease in area compared to last year accounts for most of the decrease in production.

Soybean harvested area is forecast at a record 9.85 million hectares, unchanged from last month and up 1.28 million or 15 percent from last season. Soybean yield for 2000/01 is estimated at 2.64 tons per hectare, above the five-year average yield of 2.32 tons but below the record yield of 2.80 tons in 1997/98. Beneficial rains at the beginning and end of February have alleviated concern for the single-crop soybean yield potential. Additionally, the March precipitation improved the outlook for second-crop soybeans. Of the total planted area, 74 percent is single-crop and 26 percent is second-crop soybeans. Sunflowerseed harvested area is estimated at 2.0 million hectares, down 0.2 million or 9 percent from last month and down 43 percent from last year. Sunflower seed area decreased due to better expected profitability from soybeans and corn. Sunflower seed yield is forecast at 1.75 tons per hectare which is similar to the average yield of 1.76 tons.

Brazil: Record Corn Production Forecast Due to Increased Area and Higher Yields

Brazilian 2000/01 total corn production is forecast at a record 39.5 million tons, up 1.0 million or 3 percent from last month, and up 25 percent from last year. Harvested area is estimated at 14.0 million hectares, up 4 percent from last month. The main corn crop, which typically accounts for about 80-85 percent of the total production, has benefitted from favorable growing conditions, despite some January dryness in western Bahia and Minas Gerais. Field reports by USDA analysts indicate significant year-to-year area increases for both the main and Safrinha corn crops. Record yields of 2.85 tons per hectare are forecast due to increased use of farm inputs (fertilizers, pesticides and improved seeds). The Safrinha crop in the key states of Parana and Mato Grosso benefitted from favorable weather conditions at planting.

Argentina: Corn Production Increased Due to Higher Yields

Argentina's 2000/01 corn production is estimated at 16.0 million tons, up 1.0 million or 7.0 percent from last month but down 1.2 million or 7 percent from last year. Harvested area is unchanged at 2.8 million hectares from last month but down 0.3 million or 10 percent from last year. Harvested area is expected to decline compared to last year due to the soybean-corn price ratio favoring soybeans at planting time. Higher corn yield accounted for this month's increase in production with yield estimated at 5.71 tons per hectare, compared to 5.55 tons last year. Harvest is 21 percent complete as of March 30, slower than last year's rate of 30 percent, as abundant rainfall has slowed harvest.

Brazil: Record Cotton Production Forecast Due to Increased Area and Higher Yields

Brazil's 2000/01 total cotton production is forecast at a record of 3.9 million bales, up 200,000 bales or 5 percent from last month, and up 26 percent from last year. Harvested area is estimated at 930,000 hectares, up 4 percent from last month. The cotton crop benefitted from favorable growing conditions, despite some January dryness reported in western Bahia and Minas Gerais. Field reports by USDA analysts indicate that farmers are benefitting significantly from the large-scale adoption of high yielding varieties and the implementation of sound cultural practices. The use of farm inputs for this year's crop has also been very aggressive, particularly in the Center-West states, where production costs are generally lower than in the south.

Indonesia: Corn Production Forecast Decreased

The 2000/01 Indonesian output is forecast at 5.5 million tons, down 0.7 million or 11 percent from last month and from last year. Estimated area is unchanged from last month at 3.0 million hectares. Crop prospects diminished by dry conditions at planting were further reduced when heavy precipitation occurred during the critical tasseling stage. The poor weather offset the benefits coming from increased hybrid corn seed use in major producing areas, particularly where corn is cultivated for animal feed. Hybrid seed produces up to 10 tons per hectare versus traditional seeds at 2 tons.

India: Cotton Area and Production Revised Downward

India's 2000/01 cotton crop is estimated at 11.3 million bales, down 0.2 million or 2 percent from last month and down 7 percent from last year. Estimated area was reduced by 2 percent this month to 8.1 million hectares based on official area data from India's Ministry of Agriculture. Estimated yield is 304 kilograms per hectare, up from 302 last month. The 7-percent year-to-year drop in production for 2000/01 is supported by updated market arrival data. After a strong start, arrivals have slowed sharply since January, particularly in the drought-affected states of Gujarat and Maharashtra. Arrivals have also slowed in the northern states, indicating a lower crop. However, arrivals have been strong in the southern states and are likely to continue for some months.

Malaysia: Palm Oil Output Estimated Higher

Malaysia palm oil production for 2000/01 (Oct/Sept) is estimated higher this month at 11.9 million tons, up 0.2 million from the March estimate due to the pace of monthly production reported by the Malaysian Palm Oil Board. Output in January was reported by the Malaysian Palm Oil Board at 1.06 million tons, 294,000 tons higher than January 2000, and February output was reported at 886,000 tons, 173,000 tons above a year earlier. Average rainfall levels above or near normal for the last ten quarters have been favorable for yields, but high rainfall levels above 300 millimeters per month average in the fourth quarter of calendar year 2000 may have been detrimental. Pollination is inhibited under conditions of heavy and frequent rainfall, and this can reduce the harvest 6 months after the heavy rainfall. Additionally, output in the months ahead may be limited by replanting. Satellite imagery of peninsular Malaysia seems to indicate a higher than normal level of clearing of old palm oil stands has occurred in recent months.

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COMMODITY	Planted Area			Harvested Area			Yield			Production				
	Prel.	Proj.		Prel.	Proj.		Prel.	2000/01 Proj.	Prel.	2000/01 Proj.				
	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.
All Wheat Winter Other	--Million acres--			--Million acres--			--Bushels per acre--			--Million bushels--				
	65.8	62.7	62.5	59.0	53.8	53.0	43.2	42.7	41.9	41.9	2,547	2,299	2,223	2,223
	46.4	43.3	43.3	40.1	35.5	35.0	46.9	47.8	44.6	44.6	1,881	1,697	1,563	1,563
	19.4	19.4	19.2	18.9	18.3	18.0	35.2	32.9	36.7	36.7	666	602	660	660
Soybeans	72.0	73.7	74.5	70.4	72.4	72.7	38.9	36.6	38.1	38.1	2,741	2,654	2,770	2,770
Corn	80.2	77.4	79.5	72.6	70.5	72.7	134.4	133.8	137.1	137.1	9,759	9,431	9,968	9,968
Sorghum	9.6	9.3	9.2	7.7	8.5	7.7	67.3	69.7	60.9	60.9	520	595	470	470
Barley	6.3	5.2	5.8	5.9	4.7	5.2	60.0	59.2	61.1	61.1	352	280	318	318
Oats	4.9	4.7	4.5	2.8	2.5	2.3	60.2	59.6	64.2	64.2	166	146	149	149
Rice	3.3	3.5	3.1	3.3	3.5	3.0	5,663	5,866	6,278	6,281	184.4	206.0	191.1	190.9
All Cotton	13.4	14.9	15.5	10.7	13.4	13.1	625	607	631	631	13.9	17.0	17.2	17.2
										--Million 480-pound bales--				

TABLE 2
World Crop Production Summary

Commodity	World	Total Foreign	North America			Europe			FSU-12	Asia					South America		Selected Other			All Others	
			United States	Canada	Mexico	Europe Union	Oth. Europe	W. Europe		Eastern Europe	China	India	Indonesia	Paki- stan	Thai- land	Argen- tina	Brazil	Aus- tralia	South Africa		Turkey
---Million metric tons---																					
Wheat																					
1998/99	588.8	519.5	69.3	24.1	3.2	103.1	0.9	33.9	56.1	109.7	66.4	0.0	18.7	0.0	12.4	2.2	21.5	1.9	18.0	47.4	
1999/00 prel.	587.5	524.9	62.6	26.9	3.1	96.8	0.9	29.0	65.3	113.9	70.8	0.0	17.9	0.0	15.5	2.4	25.0	1.7	16.5	39.4	
2000/01 proj.																					
Mar.	580.4	519.9	60.5	26.8	3.3	104.9	0.9	27.7	62.9	102.0	75.8	0.0	21.0	0.0	16.5	1.6	21.0	2.1	17.5	35.8	
Apr.	580.7	520.2	60.5	26.8	3.3	104.9	0.9	28.2	62.9	102.0	75.8	0.0	21.1	0.0	16.5	1.6	21.0	2.1	17.5	35.5	
Coarse Grains																					
1998/99	890.0	618.6	271.5	26.6	24.7	105.5	1.7	51.0	38.0	144.2	31.7	6.5	1.9	4.5	17.8	33.5	10.1	8.1	10.5	102.4	
1999/00 prel.	877.0	613.8	263.2	26.8	26.0	103.1	1.7	54.8	41.0	137.8	30.5	6.2	1.8	4.1	21.7	32.6	8.7	11.1	9.2	96.8	
2000/01 proj.																					
Mar.	856.3	581.8	274.5	24.3	24.8	108.3	1.7	36.0	49.7	113.9	30.5	6.2	1.8	4.6	19.1	39.6	8.9	7.9	10.4	94.3	
Apr.	857.6	583.2	274.5	24.3	24.3	108.1	1.7	37.0	50.1	113.9	30.5	5.5	1.8	4.6	20.1	40.6	8.9	7.9	10.1	93.9	
Rice (Milled)																					
1998/99	394.1	388.3	5.8	0.0	0.3	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.8	139.1	86.0	31.9	4.7	15.6	1.1	7.9	1.0	0.0	0.2	98.1	
1999/00 prel.	408.6	402.1	6.5	0.0	0.3	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.9	138.9	89.5	33.4	5.2	16.5	0.6	7.8	0.8	0.0	0.2	106.2	
2000/01 proj.																					
Mar.	399.3	393.2	6.0	0.0	0.3	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.7	133.0	87.0	33.5	4.3	16.6	0.4	7.4	1.3	0.0	0.2	106.9	
Apr.	399.8	393.8	6.0	0.0	0.3	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.7	133.0	87.0	33.1	4.7	16.8	0.4	7.3	1.3	0.0	0.2	107.4	
Total Grains 1/																					
1998/99	1,872.9	1,526.3	346.6	50.6	28.2	210.4	2.6	84.9	94.8	393.0	184.0	38.4	25.3	20.1	31.2	43.6	32.5	10.0	28.7	247.9	
1999/00 prel.	1,873.1	1,540.8	332.2	53.6	29.4	201.7	2.6	83.8	107.1	390.6	190.7	39.6	24.8	20.6	37.8	42.7	34.5	12.8	25.9	242.5	
2000/01 proj.																					
Mar.	1,835.9	1,494.9	341.0	51.1	28.4	214.8	2.6	63.7	113.3	348.9	193.2	39.7	27.1	21.2	36.0	48.6	31.1	10.0	28.1	237.1	
Apr.	1,838.1	1,497.1	341.0	51.1	27.9	214.6	2.6	65.3	113.7	348.9	193.2	38.6	27.6	21.4	37.0	49.5	31.1	10.0	27.8	236.7	
Oilseeds 2/																					
1998/99	294.6	210.3	84.4	10.5	0.6	15.2	0.1	5.1	9.0	44.9	25.0	2.2	3.7	0.5	27.8	32.3	3.0	1.5	2.1	26.8	
1999/00 prel.	302.4	220.1	82.3	11.7	0.5	16.5	0.1	6.3	11.0	45.8	22.3	2.4	4.4	0.5	27.9	35.2	3.8	0.9	2.1	28.9	
2000/01 proj.																					
Mar.	306.1	220.8	85.3	9.9	0.4	14.8	0.1	4.6	11.3	48.6	21.7	2.4	4.0	0.5	29.7	36.9	3.0	1.1	1.9	29.9	
Apr.	306.7	221.4	85.2	9.9	0.4	14.8	0.1	4.5	11.3	48.6	21.6	2.4	4.1	0.5	30.1	37.1	3.0	1.1	1.9	30.0	
Cotton																					
1998/99	84.9	71.0	13.9	0.0	1.0	2.3	0.0	0.0	6.6	20.7	12.9	0.0	6.3	0.0	0.9	2.1	3.3	0.2	3.9	10.7	
1999/00 prel.	87.2	70.2	17.0	0.0	0.7	2.6	0.0	0.0	7.3	17.6	12.2	0.0	8.6	0.0	0.6	3.1	3.4	0.1	3.6	10.3	
2000/01 proj.																					
Mar.	88.2	70.9	17.2	0.0	0.3	2.4	0.0	0.0	6.4	20.0	11.5	0.0	8.1	0.0	0.9	3.7	3.4	0.2	3.7	10.3	
Apr.	87.5	70.3	17.2	0.0	0.3	2.4	0.0	0.0	6.3	20.0	11.3	0.0	8.1	0.0	0.7	3.9	3.4	0.2	3.5	10.2	

---Million 480 pound bales---

1/ Includes wheat, coarse grains, and rice (milled) shown above.

2/ Includes soybean, cottonseed, peanut (inshell), sunflowerseed, rapeseed for individual countries. Copra and palm kernel are added to world totals.

Note: Entries of 0.0 indicate no reported or insignificant production.

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TABLE 3

Wheat Area, Yield, and Production

World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
World	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons							
United States	224.67	217.03	215.90	214.26	2.62	2.71	2.69	2.71	588.80	587.52	580.38	580.67	0.29	0.05	-6.84	-1.16
Total Foreign	23.88	21.78	21.46	21.46	2.90	2.87	2.82	2.82	69.33	62.57	60.51	60.51	0.00	0.00	-2.06	-3.29
	200.80	195.25	194.44	192.80	2.59	2.69	2.67	2.70	519.47	524.95	519.87	520.16	0.29	0.06	-4.78	-0.91
Major Exporters	44.54	45.88	47.09	47.09	3.62	3.58	3.59	3.59	161.03	164.16	169.25	169.25	0.00	0.00	5.08	3.10
European Union	17.09	17.10	17.94	17.94	6.03	5.66	5.85	5.85	103.09	96.80	104.95	104.95	0.00	0.00	8.15	8.41
France	5.23	5.11	5.20	5.20	7.60	7.24	7.22	7.22	39.79	37.00	37.53	37.53	0.00	0.00	0.52	1.41
United Kingdom	2.05	1.85	2.09	2.09	7.56	8.06	8.01	8.01	15.47	14.89	16.70	16.70	0.00	0.00	1.81	12.19
Germany	2.80	2.60	2.97	2.97	7.20	7.54	7.28	7.28	20.19	19.62	21.62	21.62	0.00	0.00	2.01	10.23
Canada	10.77	10.36	10.90	10.90	2.24	2.59	2.46	2.46	24.08	26.85	26.80	26.80	0.00	0.00	-0.05	-0.19
Australia	11.54	12.34	12.00	12.00	1.86	2.03	1.75	1.75	21.47	25.01	21.00	21.00	0.00	0.00	-4.01	-16.04
Argentina	5.13	6.07	6.25	6.25	2.42	2.55	2.64	2.64	12.40	15.50	16.50	16.50	0.00	0.00	1.00	6.45
Major Importers	96.94	90.40	89.14	87.80	2.33	2.53	2.37	2.41	225.97	228.83	211.41	211.81	0.39	0.19	-17.02	-7.44
China	29.77	28.86	27.00	27.00	3.69	3.95	3.78	3.78	109.73	113.88	102.00	102.00	0.00	0.00	-11.88	-10.43
FSU-12	44.90	41.71	41.82	40.12	1.25	1.57	1.50	1.57	56.13	65.27	62.89	62.94	0.05	0.08	-2.34	-3.58
Russia	26.10	22.98	23.00	21.30	1.03	1.35	1.50	1.62	27.00	31.00	34.40	34.45	0.05	0.15	3.45	11.13
Ukraine	5.64	5.93	5.20	5.20	2.65	2.29	1.96	1.96	14.94	13.59	10.20	10.20	0.00	0.00	-3.39	-24.92
Kazakhstan	9.10	8.73	9.50	9.50	0.52	1.28	0.96	0.96	4.70	11.20	9.10	9.10	0.00	0.00	-2.10	-18.75
Baltic States	0.56	0.53	0.54	0.54	2.71	2.50	2.99	2.99	1.52	1.32	1.60	1.60	0.00	0.00	0.28	21.12
Eastern Europe	9.57	8.34	8.75	8.76	3.54	3.47	3.17	3.22	33.93	28.95	27.73	28.23	0.50	1.80	-0.72	-2.48
Poland	2.63	2.58	2.60	2.60	3.62	3.50	3.23	3.23	9.54	9.05	8.40	8.40	0.00	0.00	-0.65	-7.19
Iran	6.60	6.00	6.00	6.00	1.82	1.42	1.25	1.25	12.00	8.50	7.50	7.50	0.00	0.00	-1.00	-11.76
Egypt	1.02	1.03	1.10	1.03	6.00	6.20	6.00	6.35	6.10	6.35	6.60	6.56	-0.04	-0.55	0.21	3.37
Morocco	3.09	2.69	2.50	2.90	1.42	0.80	0.60	0.48	4.38	2.15	1.50	1.38	-0.12	-7.93	-0.77	-35.89
Brazil	1.43	1.25	1.44	1.44	1.54	1.92	1.10	1.10	2.19	2.40	1.60	1.60	0.00	0.00	-0.81	-33.62
Other Foreign	59.33	58.97	58.21	57.91	2.23	2.24	2.39	2.40	132.47	131.95	139.21	139.11	-0.10	-0.07	7.16	5.42
India	26.70	27.40	27.43	27.43	2.49	2.58	2.76	2.76	66.35	70.78	75.75	75.75	0.00	0.00	4.97	7.03
Turkey	8.55	8.65	8.65	8.65	2.11	1.91	2.02	2.02	18.00	16.50	17.50	17.50	0.00	0.00	1.00	6.06
Pakistan	8.36	8.23	8.60	8.46	2.24	2.17	2.44	2.49	18.69	17.85	21.00	21.08	0.08	0.38	3.23	18.06
Mexico	0.77	0.70	0.75	0.75	4.21	4.43	4.40	4.40	3.24	3.10	3.30	3.30	0.00	0.00	0.20	6.45
Saudi Arabia	0.34	0.40	0.34	0.40	5.37	4.50	5.37	4.50	1.80	1.80	1.80	1.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
South Africa	0.75	0.72	0.86	0.86	2.52	2.40	2.47	2.47	1.88	1.73	2.12	2.12	0.00	0.00	0.40	23.01
Others	13.87	12.87	11.58	11.36	1.62	1.57	1.53	1.55	22.51	20.19	17.73	17.55	-0.18	-1.03	-2.64	-13.07

TABLE 4
Total Coarse Grain Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons							
World	307.73	302.17	299.29	298.53	2.89	2.90	2.86	2.87	890.04	876.98	856.27	857.61	1.33	0.16	-19.37	-2.21
United States	36.16	35.05	35.73	35.73	7.51	7.51	7.68	7.68	271.47	263.17	274.45	274.45	0.00	0.00	11.28	4.29
Total Foreign	271.57	267.13	263.56	262.80	2.28	2.30	2.21	2.22	618.57	613.81	581.82	583.15	1.33	0.23	-30.66	-4.99
Major Exporters	49.91	49.75	47.49	47.49	4.14	4.14	3.67	3.69	206.72	206.02	174.05	175.05	1.00	0.57	-30.97	-15.03
Canada	7.38	6.94	7.13	7.13	3.60	3.86	3.42	3.42	26.57	26.77	24.35	24.35	0.00	0.00	-2.42	-9.05
Argentina	3.88	4.46	4.05	4.05	4.57	4.86	4.72	4.97	17.75	21.66	19.12	20.12	1.00	5.23	-1.55	-7.15
Australia	4.80	3.90	4.49	4.49	2.10	2.23	1.97	1.97	10.07	8.72	8.86	8.86	0.00	0.00	0.14	1.57
South Africa	4.50	4.83	4.19	4.19	1.81	2.29	1.88	1.88	8.14	11.08	7.88	7.88	0.00	0.00	-3.20	-28.87
China	29.36	29.62	27.63	27.63	4.91	4.65	4.12	4.12	144.19	137.79	113.86	113.86	0.00	0.00	-23.94	-17.37
Major Importers	81.41	78.14	78.42	77.40	2.74	2.92	2.84	2.89	223.43	228.54	222.81	223.57	0.76	0.34	-4.97	-2.18
FSU-12	33.53	32.17	32.37	31.82	1.13	1.27	1.53	1.57	37.95	40.97	49.69	50.09	0.40	0.81	9.12	22.25
Russia	22.05	20.90	20.20	19.60	0.86	1.04	1.39	1.44	18.95	21.80	28.00	28.20	0.20	0.71	6.40	29.36
Ukraine	5.93	5.84	6.60	6.65	1.74	1.81	1.97	2.03	10.34	10.59	13.00	13.50	0.50	3.85	2.91	27.47
Kazakhstan	2.17	2.03	2.15	2.15	0.64	1.34	1.12	0.98	1.39	2.72	2.40	2.10	-0.30	-12.50	-0.62	-22.65
Baltic States	1.20	1.12	1.12	1.12	2.16	1.76	2.17	2.17	2.58	1.97	2.42	2.42	0.00	0.00	0.45	22.59
European Union	20.09	19.06	19.42	19.50	5.25	5.41	5.57	5.54	105.55	103.10	108.26	108.09	-0.17	-0.16	4.99	4.84
Germany	4.33	4.03	4.05	4.05	5.63	6.16	5.84	5.84	24.39	24.84	23.65	23.65	0.00	0.00	-1.19	-4.78
France	3.92	3.74	3.85	3.85	7.22	7.33	7.45	7.45	28.28	27.43	28.67	28.67	0.00	0.00	1.23	4.49
Eastern Europe	16.02	15.94	14.79	14.82	3.18	3.44	2.43	2.50	50.98	54.78	35.96	36.99	1.03	2.86	-17.79	-32.48
Poland	6.21	6.13	6.03	6.03	2.84	2.73	2.31	2.31	17.62	16.70	13.94	13.94	0.00	0.00	-2.76	-16.55
Romania	3.80	3.83	3.30	3.30	2.54	3.12	1.56	1.71	9.64	11.95	5.16	5.66	0.50	9.70	-6.29	-52.66
Czech Rep.	0.74	0.69	0.64	0.64	3.68	4.01	3.43	3.43	2.74	2.77	2.18	2.18	0.00	0.00	-0.59	-21.36
Mexico	10.22	9.49	10.35	9.79	2.42	2.74	2.40	2.48	24.70	26.04	24.80	24.30	-0.50	-2.00	-1.73	-6.65
Other W. Europe	0.35	0.37	0.37	0.37	4.80	4.58	4.58	4.58	1.67	1.70	1.70	1.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Foreign	140.25	139.24	137.66	137.92	1.34	1.29	1.34	1.34	188.42	179.25	184.96	184.53	-0.43	-0.23	5.29	2.95
Thailand	1.45	1.31	1.36	1.33	3.10	3.13	3.38	3.46	4.50	4.10	4.60	4.60	0.00	0.00	0.50	12.20
India	29.52	29.52	28.53	28.53	1.07	1.03	1.07	1.07	31.67	30.48	30.46	30.46	0.00	0.00	-0.02	-0.07
Brazil	12.77	13.05	14.16	14.66	2.62	2.49	2.80	2.77	33.51	32.55	39.60	40.60	1.00	2.53	8.05	24.73
Turkey	4.63	4.50	4.68	4.58	2.26	2.05	2.23	2.21	10.48	9.22	10.42	10.12	-0.30	-2.88	0.90	9.77
Indonesia	3.20	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.03	2.07	2.07	1.83	6.50	6.20	6.20	5.50	-0.70	-11.29	-0.70	-11.29
Philippines	2.77	2.55	2.48	2.48	1.77	1.75	1.81	1.81	4.89	4.45	4.51	4.51	0.00	0.00	0.06	1.33
Others	85.93	85.31	83.45	83.34	1.13	1.08	1.07	1.06	96.87	92.25	89.18	88.75	-0.43	-0.48	-3.50	-3.80

TABLE 5
Corn Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.				Prel.				Prel.				From last month			
	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons							
World	138.95	139.45	139.18	138.89	4.36	4.35	4.19	4.21	605.28	605.93	583.06	584.56	1.51	0.26	-21.37	-3.53
United States	29.38	28.53	29.43	29.43	8.44	8.40	8.60	8.60	247.88	239.55	253.21	253.21	0.00	0.00	13.66	5.70
Total Foreign	109.58	110.92	109.74	109.45	3.26	3.30	3.01	3.03	357.39	366.38	329.85	331.35	1.51	0.46	-35.03	-9.56
Major Exporters																
Argentina	31.41	32.87	30.10	30.10	4.91	4.74	4.24	4.27	154.18	155.87	127.50	128.50	1.00	0.78	-27.37	-17.56
South Africa	2.61	3.10	2.80	2.80	5.18	5.55	5.36	5.71	13.50	17.20	15.00	16.00	1.00	6.67	-1.20	-6.98
China	3.57	3.87	3.30	3.30	2.17	2.74	2.27	2.27	7.72	10.58	7.50	7.50	0.00	0.00	-3.08	-29.14
	25.24	25.90	24.00	24.00	5.27	4.94	4.38	4.38	132.95	128.09	105.00	105.00	0.00	0.00	-23.09	-18.02
Major Importers																
Eastern Europe	21.34	20.73	21.72	21.17	3.93	4.47	3.72	3.84	83.91	92.68	80.80	81.38	0.58	0.72	-11.30	-12.20
Romania	6.80	7.03	6.39	6.41	3.69	4.39	2.61	2.76	25.12	30.84	16.66	17.66	1.00	6.00	-13.18	-42.74
Yugoslavia	3.00	3.00	2.70	2.70	2.67	3.50	1.48	1.67	8.00	10.50	4.00	4.50	0.50	12.50	-6.00	-57.14
European Union	2.03	2.10	1.80	1.80	4.13	4.72	3.06	3.06	8.39	9.90	5.50	5.50	0.00	0.00	-4.40	-44.44
France	4.13	4.15	4.27	4.30	8.54	8.99	9.04	8.95	35.30	37.29	38.63	38.47	-0.16	-0.41	1.18	3.16
Italy	1.80	1.76	1.83	1.83	8.45	8.89	8.98	8.98	15.20	15.64	16.47	16.47	0.00	0.00	0.83	5.29
	0.97	1.03	1.10	1.10	8.88	9.75	9.33	9.33	8.60	10.06	10.27	10.27	0.00	0.00	0.21	2.06
Mexico	7.90	7.26	8.00	7.51	2.25	2.65	2.25	2.36	17.79	19.24	18.00	17.69	-0.31	-1.70	-1.55	-8.03
FSU-12	2.44	2.24	3.01	2.91	2.19	2.22	2.39	2.49	5.35	4.98	7.18	7.23	0.05	0.70	2.24	44.99
Russia	0.79	0.70	0.90	0.80	1.02	1.57	1.67	1.94	0.80	1.10	1.50	1.55	0.05	3.33	0.45	40.91
Ukraine	0.91	0.69	1.30	1.30	2.53	2.52	2.92	2.92	2.30	1.74	3.80	3.80	0.00	0.00	2.06	118.77
Other W. Europe	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	8.41	8.80	8.80	8.80	0.19	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	4.17	4.00	4.23	4.04	0.17	0.10	0.11	0.11	-0.01	-4.55	0.00	0.96
Other Foreign																
Thailand	56.82	57.32	57.93	58.19	2.10	2.06	2.10	2.09	119.31	117.84	121.55	121.48	-0.07	-0.06	3.64	3.09
Brazil	1.29	1.15	1.20	1.17	3.33	3.39	3.67	3.76	4.30	3.90	4.40	4.40	0.00	0.00	0.50	12.82
India	12.10	12.49	13.50	14.00	2.68	2.53	2.85	2.82	32.39	31.64	38.50	39.50	1.00	2.60	7.86	24.84
	6.08	6.43	6.50	6.50	1.76	1.78	1.77	1.77	10.68	11.47	11.50	11.50	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.26
Canada	1.12	1.15	1.08	1.08	8.01	7.91	6.33	6.33	8.95	9.10	6.80	6.80	0.00	0.00	-2.30	-25.24
Indonesia	3.20	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.03	2.07	2.07	1.83	6.50	6.20	6.20	5.50	-0.70	-11.29	-0.70	-11.29
Philippines	2.77	2.55	2.48	2.48	1.77	1.75	1.81	1.81	4.89	4.45	4.51	4.51	0.00	0.00	0.06	1.33
Egypt	0.74	0.73	0.75	0.71	7.61	7.78	7.73	8.01	5.61	5.68	5.80	5.65	-0.15	-2.59	-0.03	-0.49
Zimbabwe	1.45	1.45	0.95	0.95	1.05	1.18	1.05	1.05	1.52	1.70	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	-0.70	-41.18
Others	28.09	28.38	28.47	28.30	1.58	1.54	1.50	1.51	44.47	43.70	42.84	42.62	-0.22	-0.52	-1.08	-2.48

TABLE 6
Barley Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.				Prel.				Prel.				From last month			
	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01 Proj.	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01 Proj.	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01 Proj.	From last month	From last year	
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons				MMT			
World	61.09	55.62	54.70	54.65	2.24	2.30	2.45	2.44	137.11	127.98	133.83	133.30	-0.53	-0.40	5.32	4.15
United States	2.37	1.92	2.11	2.11	3.23	3.19	3.29	3.29	7.67	6.10	6.92	6.92	0.00	0.00	0.82	13.40
Total Foreign	58.72	53.71	52.59	52.55	2.20	2.27	2.41	2.40	129.44	121.88	126.91	126.38	-0.53	-0.42	4.50	3.69
European Union	11.47	10.85	10.81	10.86	4.52	4.51	4.77	4.75	51.91	48.88	51.57	51.56	-0.01	-0.02	2.68	5.48
Denmark	0.69	0.72	0.76	0.76	5.20	5.06	5.39	5.39	3.57	3.62	4.10	4.10	0.00	0.00	0.48	13.26
France	1.63	1.53	1.57	1.57	6.49	6.22	6.31	6.31	10.59	9.54	9.93	9.93	0.00	0.00	0.39	4.05
Germany	2.24	2.21	2.07	2.07	5.60	6.02	5.85	5.85	12.51	13.30	12.11	12.11	0.00	0.00	-1.20	-8.98
Italy	0.36	0.35	0.35	0.35	3.80	3.75	3.56	3.56	1.38	1.33	1.23	1.23	0.00	0.00	-0.10	-7.67
Spain	3.53	3.11	3.25	3.30	3.09	2.39	3.32	3.27	10.90	7.43	10.80	10.80	0.00	0.00	3.37	45.28
United Kingdom	1.26	1.18	1.13	1.13	5.28	5.59	5.76	5.75	6.63	6.58	6.50	6.49	-0.01	-0.15	-0.09	-1.38
FSU-12	18.13	16.42	16.18	16.08	1.08	1.30	1.57	1.56	19.65	21.37	25.34	25.14	-0.20	-0.79	3.77	17.63
Russia	11.28	9.85	9.30	9.20	0.87	1.08	1.51	1.53	9.80	10.60	14.00	14.10	0.10	0.71	3.50	33.02
Ukraine	3.57	3.48	3.70	3.70	1.65	1.85	1.86	1.86	5.87	6.43	6.90	6.90	0.00	0.00	0.48	7.39
Kazakstan	1.80	1.70	1.80	1.80	0.61	1.32	1.11	0.94	1.10	2.25	2.00	1.70	-0.30	-15.00	-0.55	-24.44
Baltic States	0.79	0.75	0.75	0.75	2.19	1.71	2.17	2.17	1.73	1.28	1.63	1.63	0.00	0.00	0.35	27.15
Eastern Europe	3.45	3.22	2.93	2.94	3.10	2.99	2.65	2.65	10.69	9.63	7.76	7.78	0.03	0.35	-1.85	-19.22
Poland	1.14	1.11	1.10	1.10	3.17	3.07	2.64	2.64	3.61	3.40	2.90	2.90	0.00	0.00	-0.50	-14.73
Czech Rep.	0.58	0.54	0.50	0.50	3.61	3.94	3.30	3.30	2.09	2.14	1.65	1.65	0.00	0.00	-0.49	-22.79
Romania	0.55	0.55	0.35	0.35	2.25	1.85	2.14	2.14	1.24	1.02	0.75	0.75	0.00	0.00	-0.27	-26.11
Canada	4.27	4.07	4.50	4.50	2.98	3.24	3.00	3.00	12.71	13.20	13.50	13.50	0.00	0.00	0.30	2.30
Other W. Europe	0.21	0.23	0.23	0.23	4.62	4.19	4.19	4.19	0.95	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Norway	0.16	0.18	0.18	0.18	3.92	3.53	3.53	3.53	0.62	0.62	0.62	0.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Turkey	3.60	3.55	3.60	3.60	2.08	1.86	2.06	2.06	7.50	6.60	7.40	7.40	0.00	0.00	0.80	12.12
Australia	3.17	2.55	3.00	3.00	1.89	1.98	1.87	1.87	5.99	5.04	5.60	5.60	0.00	0.00	0.56	11.05
China	1.20	0.84	0.88	0.88	2.92	3.41	3.13	3.13	3.50	2.87	2.76	2.76	0.00	0.00	-0.11	-3.87
Morocco	2.43	2.07	1.50	2.25	0.81	0.71	0.40	0.21	1.97	1.47	0.60	0.47	-0.13	-22.17	-1.01	-68.32
India	0.76	0.78	0.73	0.73	2.22	1.88	2.01	2.01	1.68	1.47	1.46	1.46	0.00	0.00	-0.01	-0.68
Others	9.25	8.38	7.49	6.74	1.21	1.09	1.12	1.21	11.17	9.12	8.36	8.15	-0.22	-2.58	-0.98	-10.72

TABLE 7
Oats Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons				MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
World	15.50	14.95	13.97	13.97	1.67	1.63	1.88	1.88	25.91	24.38	26.22	26.22	0.00	0.00	1.84	7.53
United States	1.12	0.99	0.94	0.94	2.16	2.14	2.30	2.30	2.41	2.12	2.17	2.17	0.00	0.00	0.04	2.07
Total Foreign	14.38	13.96	13.03	13.03	1.63	1.59	1.85	1.85	23.50	22.26	24.05	24.05	0.00	0.00	1.79	8.05
FSU-12	6.24	6.33	5.44	5.44	0.99	0.94	1.40	1.40	6.17	5.93	7.60	7.60	0.00	0.00	1.67	28.21
Russia	5.23	5.35	4.50	4.50	0.88	0.82	1.33	1.33	4.60	4.40	6.00	6.00	0.00	0.00	1.60	36.36
Ukraine	0.55	0.53	0.53	0.53	1.42	1.43	1.71	1.71	0.78	0.76	0.90	0.90	0.00	0.00	0.14	18.42
Belarus	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	2.33	1.83	2.00	2.00	0.70	0.55	0.60	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.05	9.09
Baltic States	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	2.11	1.77	1.83	1.83	0.32	0.27	0.28	0.28	0.00	0.00	0.01	3.00
Maj. Foreign Exporters	2.74	2.31	2.33	2.33	2.24	2.29	2.21	2.21	6.14	5.29	5.15	5.15	0.00	0.00	-0.14	-2.57
Canada	1.59	1.40	1.30	1.30	2.49	2.60	2.62	2.62	3.96	3.64	3.40	3.40	0.00	0.00	-0.24	-6.62
Australia	0.91	0.58	0.75	0.75	1.98	1.89	1.73	1.73	1.80	1.09	1.30	1.30	0.00	0.00	0.21	19.05
Argentina	0.24	0.34	0.28	0.28	1.60	1.65	1.61	1.61	0.38	0.55	0.45	0.45	0.00	0.00	-0.10	-18.63
Other Foreign	5.25	5.16	5.11	5.11	2.07	2.09	2.16	2.16	10.87	10.78	11.03	11.03	0.00	0.00	0.25	2.30
China	0.55	0.50	0.50	0.50	1.18	1.20	1.20	1.20	0.65	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
European Union	1.97	1.92	1.93	1.93	3.13	3.18	3.47	3.47	6.15	6.12	6.71	6.71	0.00	0.00	0.59	9.71
France	0.14	0.12	0.11	0.11	4.73	4.52	4.55	4.55	0.66	0.55	0.50	0.50	0.00	0.00	-0.05	-9.26
Germany	0.30	0.27	0.24	0.24	4.22	5.00	4.59	4.59	1.28	1.34	1.09	1.09	0.00	0.00	-0.25	-18.82
Italy	0.14	0.14	0.15	0.15	2.00	2.42	2.47	2.47	0.28	0.35	0.37	0.37	0.00	0.00	0.02	6.94
Finland	0.39	0.39	0.40	0.40	2.52	2.54	3.50	3.50	0.98	0.99	1.40	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.41	41.41
Sweden	0.31	0.31	0.32	0.32	3.65	3.87	4.13	4.13	1.14	1.20	1.30	1.30	0.00	0.00	0.10	8.33
Eastern Europe	1.10	1.15	1.14	1.14	2.28	2.21	1.97	1.97	2.50	2.54	2.25	2.25	0.00	0.00	-0.30	-11.65
Czech Rep.	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	3.10	3.18	2.73	2.73	0.18	0.18	0.15	0.15	0.00	0.00	-0.02	-14.29
Poland	0.56	0.57	0.60	0.60	2.60	2.53	2.13	2.13	1.46	1.45	1.28	1.28	0.00	0.00	-0.17	-11.83
Yugoslavia	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	1.99	2.00	2.00	2.00	0.27	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Norway	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10	4.23	4.25	4.25	4.25	0.39	0.41	0.41	0.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Turkey	0.17	0.15	0.15	0.15	1.80	1.72	1.72	1.72	0.31	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	1.37	1.35	1.29	1.29	0.64	0.64	0.63	0.63	0.88	0.86	0.81	0.81	0.00	0.00	-0.05	-5.80

TABLE 8
Rye Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.				Prel.				Prel.				From last month			
	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	From last month	From last year		
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons				MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
World	10.31	9.42	10.15	9.65	1.97	2.09	1.92	2.02	20.31	19.71	19.44	19.49	0.05	0.26	-0.23	-1.16
United States	0.17	0.16	0.12	0.12	1.83	1.81	1.80	1.80	0.31	0.28	0.22	0.22	0.00	0.00	-0.06	-21.79
Total Foreign	10.14	9.26	10.03	9.53	1.97	2.10	1.92	2.02	20.00	19.43	19.22	19.27	0.05	0.26	-0.17	-0.86
FSU-12	5.44	4.95	5.72	5.22	1.12	1.41	1.41	1.55	6.07	6.99	8.06	8.11	0.05	0.62	1.11	15.89
Russia	3.78	3.40	4.00	3.50	0.87	1.41	1.35	1.56	3.30	4.80	5.40	5.45	0.05	0.93	0.65	13.54
Ukraine	0.70	0.62	0.65	0.65	1.62	1.48	1.54	1.54	1.14	0.92	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.08	8.81
Belarus	0.90	0.90	1.00	1.00	1.78	1.39	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.25	1.60	1.60	0.00	0.00	0.35	28.00
Baltic States	0.25	0.22	0.22	0.22	2.08	1.96	2.37	2.37	0.53	0.42	0.51	0.51	0.00	0.00	0.09	21.14
Major Exporter																
Canada	0.20	0.17	0.12	0.12	1.95	2.29	2.26	2.26	0.40	0.39	0.26	0.26	0.00	0.00	-0.13	-32.82
Other Foreign	4.25	3.93	3.97	3.97	3.06	2.96	2.62	2.62	13.01	11.63	10.39	10.39	-0.00	-0.00	-1.24	-10.66
Eastern Europe	2.53	2.44	2.38	2.38	2.48	2.33	1.90	1.90	6.28	5.68	4.53	4.53	0.00	0.00	-1.15	-20.26
Hungary	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.04	2.08	2.00	2.00	2.00	0.13	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Poland	2.29	2.24	2.20	2.20	2.47	2.31	1.86	1.86	5.66	5.18	4.10	4.10	0.00	0.00	-1.08	-20.86
Czech Rep.	0.07	0.06	0.04	0.04	3.63	3.64	3.75	3.75	0.26	0.20	0.15	0.15	0.00	0.00	-0.05	-25.00
European Union	1.43	1.15	1.28	1.28	4.43	4.81	4.29	4.29	6.35	5.51	5.47	5.47	0.00	0.00	-0.04	-0.69
Denmark	0.11	0.05	0.08	0.08	5.12	4.71	4.33	4.33	0.54	0.24	0.33	0.33	0.00	0.00	0.09	35.42
France	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	4.70	4.54	4.57	4.57	0.22	0.19	0.16	0.16	0.00	0.00	-0.03	-13.98
Germany	0.94	0.75	0.84	0.84	5.10	5.79	4.93	4.93	4.78	4.33	4.15	4.15	0.00	0.00	-0.17	-4.04
Spain	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	1.73	1.78	2.04	2.04	0.21	0.22	0.24	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.02	7.31
Austria	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.05	4.00	3.89	3.27	3.27	0.24	0.22	0.17	0.17	0.00	0.00	-0.05	-22.02
Sweden	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.02	4.60	5.42	5.42	5.42	0.16	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Turkey	0.15	0.18	0.18	0.18	1.61	1.39	1.39	1.39	0.24	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	0.14	0.17	0.14	0.14	1.07	1.14	1.04	1.04	0.15	0.19	0.14	0.14	-0.00	-0.00	-0.05	-26.56

TABLE 9
Sorghum Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.				Prel.				Prel.				From last month			
	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01 Proj.	2000/01 Proj.	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01 Proj.	2000/01 Proj.	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01 Proj.	2000/01 Proj.	From last month	From last month	From last month	From last year
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons				MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
World	40.23	40.97	40.84	40.77	1.48	1.44	1.35	1.35	59.40	58.99	55.17	54.98	-0.19	-0.34	-4.01	-6.80
United States	3.13	3.46	3.13	3.13	4.23	4.37	3.82	3.82	13.21	15.12	11.94	11.94	0.00	0.00	-3.18	-21.02
Total Foreign	37.10	37.51	37.72	37.65	1.24	1.17	1.15	1.14	46.19	43.88	43.23	43.04	-0.19	-0.44	-0.84	-1.91
India	9.98	10.40	10.30	10.30	0.87	0.85	0.87	0.87	8.71	8.86	9.00	9.00	0.00	0.00	0.14	1.58
China	0.97	0.98	0.95	0.95	4.22	3.31	2.94	2.94	4.09	3.24	2.80	2.80	0.00	0.00	-0.44	-13.63
Mexico	1.95	1.92	2.00	1.93	3.28	3.26	3.10	3.12	6.40	6.25	6.20	6.01	-0.19	-3.06	-0.24	-3.79
Nigeria	6.60	6.60	6.70	6.70	1.11	1.14	1.16	1.16	7.30	7.50	7.80	7.80	0.00	0.00	0.30	4.00
Sudan	6.00	5.80	6.00	6.00	0.75	0.41	0.42	0.42	4.50	2.35	2.50	2.50	0.00	0.00	0.15	6.38
Argentina	0.74	0.72	0.67	0.67	4.38	4.63	4.63	4.63	3.22	3.35	3.10	3.10	0.00	0.00	-0.25	-7.46
Australia	0.59	0.65	0.60	0.60	3.22	3.34	2.50	2.50	1.89	2.16	1.50	1.50	0.00	0.00	-0.66	-30.65
Ethiopia	1.45	1.60	1.60	1.60	0.83	0.91	0.91	0.91	1.20	1.45	1.45	1.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Colombia	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	2.92	3.00	2.83	2.83	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.03
Venezuela	0.24	0.24	0.24	0.24	1.54	1.54	1.54	1.54	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Egypt	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	4.78	4.84	4.69	4.69	0.77	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yemen	0.38	0.40	0.40	0.40	1.00	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.38	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tanzania	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.85	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.43	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Niger	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	0.47	0.43	0.40	0.40	0.70	0.65	0.60	0.60	0.00	0.00	-0.05	-7.69
South Africa	0.10	0.14	0.09	0.09	1.58	2.48	2.11	2.11	0.16	0.35	0.19	0.19	0.00	0.00	-0.16	-46.02
Thailand	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	5.74	5.69	5.79	5.79	1.00	0.96	1.01	1.01	5.71	5.47	5.84	5.84	0.00	0.00	0.37	6.82

TABLE 10
Rice Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield (Rough)				Production (Milled)				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.				
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons				MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
World	152.39	154.87	151.85	151.87	3.84	3.92	3.91	3.92	394.06	408.56	399.25	399.82	0.57	0.14	-8.74	-2.14
United States	1.32	1.42	1.23	1.23	6.35	6.58	7.04	7.04	5.80	6.50	6.03	6.03	0.00	0.00	-0.48	-7.34
Total Foreign	151.08	153.44	150.62	150.64	3.82	3.90	3.89	3.89	388.26	402.06	393.23	393.80	0.57	0.14	-8.26	-2.05
Major Exporters	64.50	65.23	64.47	64.56	2.95	3.04	3.01	3.02	126.37	131.88	129.00	129.63	0.63	0.49	-2.25	-1.71
Vietnam	7.58	7.66	7.57	7.57	4.02	4.10	4.23	4.23	20.11	20.75	21.10	21.10	0.00	0.00	0.35	1.70
Thailand	9.90	10.08	10.05	10.05	2.39	2.48	2.50	2.54	15.59	16.50	16.60	16.83	0.23	1.39	0.33	2.00
India	44.60	44.97	44.60	44.60	2.89	2.98	2.93	2.93	86.00	89.48	87.00	87.00	0.00	0.00	-2.48	-2.77
Pakistan	2.42	2.52	2.25	2.35	2.89	3.08	2.87	3.00	4.67	5.16	4.30	4.70	0.40	9.30	-0.46	-8.84
Major Importers	22.57	22.75	22.57	22.36	3.63	3.77	3.76	3.77	52.46	54.90	54.37	53.93	-0.44	-0.82	-0.97	-1.77
Indonesia	11.85	11.65	11.70	11.70	4.25	4.54	4.53	4.48	31.85	33.45	33.50	33.11	-0.39	-1.15	-0.33	-1.00
Brazil	3.70	3.68	3.55	3.34	3.13	3.11	3.07	3.23	7.88	7.77	7.40	7.34	-0.06	-0.86	-0.43	-5.56
European Union	0.41	0.40	0.40	0.40	6.60	6.84	6.16	6.17	1.75	1.76	1.59	1.59	0.00	0.31	-0.17	-9.44
Iran	0.60	0.55	0.45	0.45	4.63	4.23	4.00	4.00	1.85	1.55	1.20	1.20	0.00	0.00	-0.35	-22.58
Philippines	3.63	4.00	4.02	4.02	2.83	2.99	3.10	3.10	6.67	7.77	8.10	8.10	0.00	0.00	0.32	4.16
Nigeria	1.65	1.66	1.65	1.65	1.92	2.01	2.02	2.02	1.90	2.00	2.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Foreign	64.01	65.47	63.58	63.72	4.77	4.80	4.82	4.82	209.43	215.27	209.86	210.24	0.38	0.18	-5.04	-2.34
China	31.21	31.28	30.00	30.00	6.37	6.34	6.33	6.33	139.10	138.94	133.00	133.00	0.00	0.00	-5.94	-4.27
Burma	5.60	5.80	5.80	5.80	2.86	2.93	2.91	2.91	9.30	9.86	9.80	9.80	0.00	0.00	-0.06	-0.61
Bangladesh	9.69	10.71	10.70	10.70	3.07	3.23	3.36	3.36	19.85	23.07	24.00	24.00	0.00	0.00	0.93	4.05
Japan	1.80	1.79	1.77	1.77	6.22	6.41	6.70	6.70	8.15	8.35	8.64	8.64	0.00	0.00	0.29	3.43
South Korea	1.06	1.07	1.07	1.07	6.42	6.63	6.59	6.72	5.10	5.26	5.30	5.29	-0.01	-0.17	0.03	0.53
Egypt	0.50	0.65	0.65	0.65	8.33	8.91	9.23	9.23	2.65	3.79	3.90	3.90	0.00	0.00	0.11	2.98
Taiwan	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.36	5.19	5.46	5.46	5.46	1.31	1.40	1.40	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
FSU-12	0.44	0.47	0.35	0.35	2.65	2.85	3.01	2.94	0.75	0.86	0.68	0.67	-0.02	-2.35	-0.20	-22.92
Russia	0.15	0.17	0.17	0.17	3.08	3.59	3.39	3.26	0.29	0.39	0.38	0.36	-0.01	-4.00	-0.02	-6.49
Australia	0.15	0.13	0.19	0.19	9.20	8.28	9.46	9.42	0.97	0.79	1.25	1.25	0.00	0.16	0.47	59.21
Others	13.20	13.21	12.69	12.82	2.59	2.68	2.65	2.68	22.24	22.96	21.89	22.29	0.41	1.86	-0.67	-2.91

TABLE 11
Total Oilseed Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
World Total 1/ Total Foreign 1/ Copra Palm Kernel	-- -- -- --	-- -- -- --	-- -- -- --	-- -- -- --	-- -- -- --	-- -- -- --	-- -- -- --	-- -- -- --	294.62 210.26 4.32 5.62	302.41 220.09 5.38 6.28	306.06 220.80 5.65 6.78	306.66 221.43 5.65 6.88	0.61 0.62 0.00 0.10	0.20 0.28 0.00 1.48	4.26 1.34 0.27 0.60	1.41 0.61 4.94 9.53
Major Oilseeds 2/ United States 2/	171.86 35.28	174.99 37.15	172.94 36.94	172.37 36.94	1.66 2.39	1.66 2.22	1.70 2.31	1.71 2.31	284.68 84.36	290.75 82.32	293.63 85.25	294.14 85.24	0.51 -0.02	0.17 -0.02	3.39 2.92	1.17 3.55
Foreign Oilseeds 2/ South America Brazil	136.58 29.18 13.74	137.84 29.30 14.50	136.01 29.87 14.64	135.43 29.56 14.68	1.47 2.22 2.35	1.51 2.31 2.43	1.53 2.40 2.52	1.54 2.43 2.53	200.31 64.67 32.28	208.43 67.71 35.25	208.38 71.59 36.94	208.90 71.91 37.14	0.52 0.33 0.20	0.25 0.45 0.54	0.47 4.20 1.89	0.23 6.20 5.37
Argentina Paraguay China India	13.04 1.43 24.42 32.54	12.59 1.40 24.21 30.37	12.76 1.57 26.55 29.42	12.46 1.57 26.55 29.20	2.13 2.24 1.84 0.77	2.21 2.22 1.89 0.73	2.33 2.12 1.83 0.74	2.42 2.12 1.83 0.74	27.80 3.20 44.90 25.02	27.87 3.10 45.76 22.28	29.73 3.34 48.64 21.68	30.14 3.34 48.64 21.60	0.41 0.00 0.00 -0.07	1.38 0.00 0.00 -0.35	2.28 0.24 2.88 -0.68	8.16 7.72 6.29 -3.05
European Union France Italy Germany Spain	6.40 2.06 0.79 1.05 1.14	6.53 2.29 0.57 1.24 1.01	5.97 2.04 0.55 1.13 0.99	5.97 2.04 0.55 1.13 0.99	2.37 2.75 2.07 3.33 1.16	2.52 2.88 2.39 3.48 0.82	2.48 2.79 2.31 3.21 1.42	2.48 2.79 2.31 3.21 1.42	15.17 5.66 1.64 3.48 1.33	16.48 6.57 1.36 4.31 0.82	14.79 5.67 1.27 3.64 1.41	14.78 5.67 1.27 3.64 1.41	-0.01 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	-0.08 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	-1.71 -0.90 -0.09 -0.67 0.59	-10.36 -13.70 -6.54 -15.52 71.59
United Kingdom FSU-12 Russia Ukraine Uzbekistan Turkmenistan	10.24 4.66 2.52 1.49 0.48 6.48	12.34 6.21 3.05 1.50 0.48 6.65	11.30 5.10 3.11 1.42 0.53 5.95	11.24 5.10 3.11 1.42 0.48 5.95	0.88 0.73 0.94 1.35 0.87 1.62	0.89 0.74 0.96 1.43 0.88 1.76	1.00 0.86 1.20 1.33 0.72 1.67	1.01 0.86 1.20 1.33 0.74 1.67	9.00 3.42 2.37 2.00 0.42 10.49	11.02 4.62 2.91 2.15 0.42 11.70	11.34 4.40 3.73 1.88 0.38 9.94	11.31 4.40 3.73 1.88 0.35 9.94	-0.03 0.00 0.00 0.00 -0.03 0.00	-0.26 0.00 0.00 0.00 -7.89 0.00	0.29 -0.22 0.82 -0.28 -0.07 -1.76	2.61 -4.74 28.05 -12.79 -16.67 -15.01
Canada Indonesia Pakistan Eastern Europe Poland Romania Hungary Turkey Philippines Mexico Others	1.77 3.47 3.15 0.47 0.97 0.50 1.34 0.03 0.40 17.19	1.81 3.49 3.91 0.55 1.13 0.76 1.31 0.03 0.33 17.57	1.84 3.50 3.17 0.42 0.96 0.48 1.26 0.03 0.25 16.91	1.84 3.49 3.12 0.42 0.96 0.43 1.26 0.03 0.25 16.98	1.27 1.06 1.63 2.36 1.21 1.65 1.54 1.00 1.57 1.01	1.30 1.26 1.62 2.08 1.29 1.56 1.59 1.00 1.50 1.01	1.32 1.15 1.44 2.26 0.81 1.47 1.49 1.00 1.47 1.01	1.32 1.18 1.46 2.26 0.81 1.57 1.49 1.00 1.47 1.02	2.24 3.67 5.12 1.10 1.17 0.83 2.06 0.03 0.63 17.32	2.36 4.40 6.34 1.13 1.46 1.19 2.09 0.03 0.49 17.77	2.43 4.02 4.58 0.95 0.77 0.71 1.88 0.03 0.37 17.11	2.43 4.12 4.54 0.95 0.77 0.67 1.88 0.03 0.37 17.37	0.00 0.10 -0.04 0.00 0.00 -0.04 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.25	0.00 2.52 -0.83 0.00 0.00 -5.39 0.00 0.00 0.00 1.48	0.07 -0.29 -1.79 -0.18 -0.69 -0.52 -0.21 0.00 -0.12 -0.40	2.97 -6.48 -28.33 -16.08 -47.08 -43.71 -10.29 3.70 -24.90 -2.27

1/ Major oilseeds plus copra and palm kernel. 2/ Individual countries and regions include soybean, cottonseed, peanut (inshell), sunflowerseed, and rapeseed.

TABLE 12
Soybean Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons				MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
World	71.16	71.89	74.91	74.91	2.25	2.22	2.26	2.27	159.75	159.44	169.58	170.28	0.71	0.42	10.85	6.80
United States	28.51	29.32	29.43	29.43	2.62	2.46	2.56	2.56	74.60	72.22	75.38	75.38	0.00	0.00	3.15	4.37
Total Foreign	42.65	42.57	45.48	45.48	2.00	2.05	2.07	2.09	85.15	87.21	94.20	94.91	0.71	0.75	7.69	8.82
Major Exporters	22.27	23.32	24.70	24.70	2.44	2.49	2.57	2.62	54.30	58.10	63.60	64.60	1.00	1.57	6.50	11.19
Brazil	12.90	13.60	13.60	13.60	2.43	2.50	2.61	2.61	31.30	34.00	35.50	35.50	0.00	0.00	1.50	4.41
Argentina	8.17	8.57	9.85	9.85	2.45	2.47	2.54	2.64	20.00	21.20	25.00	26.00	1.00	4.00	4.80	22.64
Paraguay	1.20	1.15	1.25	1.25	2.50	2.52	2.48	2.48	3.00	2.90	3.10	3.10	0.00	0.00	0.20	6.90
Other Foreign	20.38	19.25	20.78	20.78	1.51	1.51	1.47	1.46	30.85	29.11	30.60	30.31	-0.29	-0.95	1.19	4.10
China	8.50	8.18	9.30	9.30	1.78	1.75	1.69	1.69	15.15	14.29	15.70	15.70	0.00	0.00	1.41	9.87
India	6.35	5.65	5.80	5.80	0.94	0.92	0.91	0.91	6.00	5.20	5.30	5.30	0.00	0.00	0.10	1.92
Canada	0.98	1.00	1.06	1.06	2.79	2.77	2.55	2.55	2.74	2.78	2.70	2.70	0.00	0.00	-0.07	-2.63
Indonesia	1.10	1.14	1.17	1.17	1.19	1.19	1.21	1.21	1.30	1.36	1.42	1.42	0.00	0.00	0.06	4.41
Eastern Europe	0.28	0.24	0.30	0.29	1.76	2.08	1.39	1.32	0.48	0.51	0.41	0.38	-0.03	-6.59	-0.12	-24.46
European Union	0.52	0.37	0.36	0.36	2.95	3.12	3.00	2.98	1.54	1.14	1.09	1.07	-0.01	-1.38	-0.07	-6.05
FSU-12	0.41	0.48	0.51	0.51	0.82	0.79	0.82	0.82	0.33	0.38	0.42	0.42	0.00	0.00	0.04	10.82
Russia	0.38	0.44	0.45	0.45	0.79	0.76	0.78	0.78	0.30	0.33	0.35	0.35	0.00	0.00	0.02	4.79
Ukraine	0.03	0.04	0.06	0.06	1.16	1.07	1.09	1.09	0.04	0.05	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.03	55.56
Mexico	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.08	1.59	1.57	1.38	1.38	0.14	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.00	-0.01	-11.29
Thailand	0.22	0.22	0.23	0.23	1.52	1.50	1.43	1.43	0.34	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
North Korea	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	1.13	1.00	1.13	1.13	0.34	0.30	0.34	0.34	0.00	0.00	0.04	13.33
Japan	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	1.45	1.73	1.73	1.73	0.16	0.19	0.19	0.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.60
Bolivia	0.63	0.59	0.59	0.60	1.54	2.04	2.03	1.58	0.96	1.20	1.20	0.95	-0.25	-20.83	-0.25	-20.83
South Korea	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.09	1.43	1.33	1.31	1.31	0.14	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-2.59
Colombia	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	2.17	2.21	2.00	2.00	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.00	0.00	-0.01	-16.13
Others	0.78	0.79	0.86	0.86	1.48	1.45	1.43	1.43	1.16	1.14	1.22	1.22	-0.00	-0.00	0.08	7.18

TABLE 13
Cottonseed Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons							
World	31.94	31.32	30.90	30.60	1.02	1.05	1.07	1.09	32.66	32.81	33.19	33.29	0.10	0.30	0.48	1.47
United States	4.32	5.43	5.30	5.30	1.13	1.06	1.10	1.10	4.87	5.76	5.84	5.84	0.00	0.00	0.08	1.34
Total Foreign	27.62	25.89	25.60	25.30	1.01	1.04	1.07	1.08	27.79	27.04	27.35	27.45	0.10	0.37	0.40	1.49
China	4.46	3.73	4.00	4.00	1.82	1.85	1.96	1.96	8.10	6.90	7.84	7.84	0.00	0.00	0.94	13.62
FSU-12	2.50	2.49	2.45	2.39	1.13	1.20	1.10	1.12	2.83	2.99	2.70	2.67	-0.03	-1.11	-0.33	-10.87
Uzbekistan	1.49	1.50	1.42	1.42	1.35	1.43	1.33	1.33	2.00	2.15	1.88	1.88	0.00	0.00	-0.28	-12.79
Turkmenistan	0.48	0.48	0.53	0.48	0.87	0.88	0.72	0.74	0.42	0.42	0.38	0.35	-0.03	-7.89	-0.07	-16.67
India	9.29	8.79	8.32	8.10	0.59	0.59	0.59	0.59	5.47	5.17	4.88	4.80	-0.07	-1.54	-0.37	-7.16
Pakistan	2.92	2.92	2.99	2.99	1.07	1.31	1.17	1.21	3.13	3.82	3.50	3.60	0.10	2.86	-0.22	-5.81
Brazil	0.69	0.75	0.89	0.93	1.14	1.42	1.40	1.57	0.78	1.07	1.25	1.45	0.20	16.00	0.38	36.02
Turkey	0.76	0.72	0.67	0.67	1.66	1.60	1.75	1.75	1.26	1.15	1.18	1.18	0.00	0.00	0.02	2.17
African Franc Zone	2.21	2.23	1.94	1.92	0.66	0.63	0.62	0.61	1.47	1.40	1.20	1.17	-0.03	-2.50	-0.23	-16.11
Australia	0.56	0.46	0.49	0.49	1.76	2.26	2.23	2.23	0.99	1.05	1.08	1.08	0.00	0.00	0.03	3.15
Egypt	0.28	0.27	0.23	0.23	1.36	1.37	1.42	1.42	0.38	0.38	0.32	0.32	0.00	0.00	-0.06	-14.67
Argentina	0.65	0.33	0.48	0.38	0.55	0.73	0.75	0.71	0.36	0.24	0.36	0.27	-0.09	-25.00	0.03	12.50
Paraguay	0.17	0.20	0.30	0.30	0.60	0.62	0.68	0.68	0.10	0.12	0.21	0.21	0.00	0.00	0.08	69.42
Greece	0.41	0.43	0.40	0.40	1.39	1.55	1.63	1.63	0.57	0.67	0.65	0.65	0.00	0.00	-0.02	-2.26
Syria	0.28	0.25	0.25	0.25	2.51	2.67	3.00	3.00	0.69	0.65	0.75	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.10	14.85
Mexico	0.22	0.15	0.07	0.07	1.63	1.51	1.62	1.62	0.36	0.23	0.12	0.12	0.00	0.00	-0.11	-47.83
Iran	0.23	0.21	0.23	0.26	0.81	0.90	0.83	0.83	0.19	0.19	0.19	0.22	0.03	13.16	0.03	13.16
Sudan	0.15	0.23	0.16	0.24	0.85	0.55	0.84	0.76	0.13	0.12	0.13	0.18	0.05	37.69	0.06	45.53
Others	1.85	1.73	1.76	1.70	0.54	0.52	0.57	0.56	0.99	0.90	1.00	0.96	-0.05	-4.88	0.05	5.75

TABLE 14
Peanut Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	1998/99		1999/00		1998/99		1999/00		1998/99		1999/00		From last month		From last year	
	Prel.	2000/01 Proj.	Prel.	2000/01 Proj.	Prel.	2000/01 Proj.	Prel.	2000/01 Proj.	Prel.	2000/01 Proj.	Prel.	2000/01 Proj.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
World	21.23	21.62	22.00	22.04	1.40	1.35	1.36	1.37	29.82	29.26	29.97	30.21	0.24	0.81	0.95	3.24
United States	0.59	0.58	0.53	0.54	3.03	2.99	2.80	2.74	1.80	1.74	1.49	1.48	-0.02	-1.07	-0.26	-15.08
Total Foreign	20.63	21.04	21.47	21.50	1.36	1.31	1.33	1.34	28.02	27.53	28.48	28.74	0.26	0.91	1.21	4.39
China	4.04	4.27	4.50	4.50	2.94	2.96	2.89	2.89	11.89	12.64	13.00	13.00	0.00	0.00	0.36	2.86
India	8.10	8.00	8.10	8.10	0.92	0.69	0.75	0.75	7.45	5.50	6.10	6.10	0.00	0.00	0.60	10.91
Indonesia	0.65	0.65	0.65	0.65	1.43	1.52	1.54	1.54	0.93	0.99	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	1.01
Senegal	0.52	0.62	0.62	0.65	1.04	1.23	1.10	1.42	0.54	0.76	0.68	0.92	0.24	35.88	0.16	20.94
Burma	0.45	0.49	0.49	0.49	1.21	1.15	1.15	1.15	0.54	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sudan	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Zaire	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.75	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.41	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Argentina	0.32	0.22	0.23	0.23	1.06	1.98	1.61	1.61	0.34	0.43	0.37	0.37	0.00	0.00	-0.06	-12.94
Nigeria	1.19	1.20	1.21	1.21	1.20	1.21	1.21	1.21	1.43	1.45	1.47	1.47	0.00	0.00	0.02	1.38
Vietnam	0.27	0.27	0.27	0.27	1.44	1.44	1.44	1.44	0.39	0.39	0.39	0.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
South Africa	0.10	0.08	0.16	0.16	1.45	1.93	1.56	1.66	0.14	0.16	0.25	0.27	0.01	6.00	0.11	65.63
Thailand	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10	1.61	1.63	1.63	1.63	0.15	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Burkina Faso	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22	1.00	1.00	1.02	1.02	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.33
Brazil	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	1.89	1.67	1.78	1.78	0.17	0.15	0.16	0.16	0.00	0.00	0.01	6.67
Central African Rep.	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	1.02	1.10	1.10	1.10	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cameroon	0.32	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.28	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.09	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cote d'Ivoire	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mexico	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10	1.41	1.44	1.44	1.44	0.13	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.48
Gambia	0.07	0.11	0.11	0.11	1.04	1.09	1.09	1.09	0.07	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	2.78	2.88	2.87	2.87	0.91	0.92	0.92	0.92	2.53	2.66	2.65	2.65	0.00	0.00	-0.01	-0.34

TABLE 15
Sunflowerseed Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons							
World	21.94	23.33	19.82	19.50	1.21	1.16	1.18	1.17	26.61	26.97	23.40	22.83	-0.58	-2.46	-4.14	-15.35
United States	1.41	1.39	1.06	1.06	1.69	1.41	1.53	1.53	2.39	1.97	1.63	1.63	0.00	0.00	-0.34	-17.42
Total Foreign	20.53	21.94	18.76	18.44	1.18	1.14	1.16	1.15	24.22	25.00	21.78	21.20	-0.57	-2.64	-3.80	-15.19
FSU-12	6.89	8.74	7.68	7.68	0.80	0.83	1.02	1.02	5.55	7.26	7.81	7.81	0.00	0.00	0.55	7.51
Russia	4.09	5.53	4.40	4.40	0.73	0.75	0.89	0.89	3.00	4.15	3.90	3.90	0.00	0.00	-0.25	-6.02
Ukraine	2.40	2.78	2.80	2.80	0.94	0.98	1.25	1.25	2.27	2.72	3.50	3.50	0.00	0.00	0.78	28.68
Argentina	3.91	3.48	2.20	2.00	1.82	1.73	1.82	1.75	7.10	6.00	4.00	3.50	-0.50	-12.50	-2.50	-41.67
European Union	2.24	2.05	1.97	1.97	1.52	1.57	1.88	1.87	3.40	3.21	3.69	3.69	0.00	0.08	0.48	15.02
France	0.81	0.83	0.75	0.75	2.09	2.30	2.47	2.47	1.68	1.91	1.85	1.85	0.00	0.00	-0.06	-3.14
Spain	0.99	0.84	0.86	0.86	1.11	0.69	1.40	1.40	1.10	0.58	1.20	1.20	0.00	0.00	0.62	107.25
Italy	0.31	0.26	0.25	0.25	1.31	2.00	1.80	1.80	0.41	0.52	0.45	0.45	0.00	0.00	-0.07	-12.62
Eastern Europe	2.03	2.45	1.91	1.86	1.32	1.31	1.07	1.09	2.68	3.21	2.04	2.03	-0.01	-0.34	-1.17	-36.61
Hungary	0.43	0.53	0.32	0.28	1.65	1.50	1.41	1.61	0.71	0.80	0.45	0.44	-0.01	-1.56	-0.35	-44.28
Romania	0.82	1.05	0.86	0.86	1.18	1.24	0.82	0.82	0.97	1.30	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	-0.60	-46.15
Yugoslavia	0.20	0.23	0.18	0.18	1.78	1.53	1.72	1.72	0.36	0.36	0.31	0.31	0.00	0.00	-0.05	-12.81
Bulgaria	0.50	0.52	0.45	0.45	1.00	1.10	0.89	0.89	0.50	0.57	0.40	0.40	0.00	0.00	-0.17	-29.82
Czech Rep.	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	2.18	2.00	2.00	2.00	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
China	0.89	1.14	1.00	1.00	1.65	1.58	1.10	1.10	1.47	1.80	1.10	1.10	0.00	0.00	-0.70	-38.89
India	2.20	2.30	2.10	2.10	0.55	0.57	0.57	0.57	1.20	1.30	1.20	1.20	0.00	0.00	-0.10	-7.69
Turkey	0.52	0.54	0.54	0.54	1.25	1.48	1.06	1.06	0.65	0.80	0.58	0.58	0.00	0.00	-0.23	-28.13
South Africa	0.83	0.40	0.50	0.50	1.34	1.34	1.06	1.06	1.11	0.53	0.53	0.53	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.19
Australia	0.17	0.12	0.09	0.09	1.25	1.23	0.89	0.89	0.21	0.15	0.08	0.08	0.00	0.00	-0.07	-45.58
Burma	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	0.73	0.60	0.65	0.57	1.05	1.08	1.02	1.05	0.77	0.65	0.67	0.60	-0.07	-10.64	-0.06	-8.73

TABLE 16
Rapeseed Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change in Production			
	Prel.				Prel.				Prel.				From last month			
	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	From last month	From last month	From last month	From last year
	Million hectares				Metric tons per hectare				Million metric tons				MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
World	25.59	26.82	25.31	25.32	1.40	1.58	1.48	1.48	35.85	42.27	37.50	37.53	0.03	0.09	-4.74	-11.21
United States	0.44	0.42	0.61	0.61	1.62	1.46	1.50	1.50	0.71	0.62	0.92	0.92	0.00	0.00	0.30	47.67
Total Foreign	25.16	26.40	24.69	24.71	1.40	1.58	1.48	1.48	35.14	41.65	36.58	36.61	0.03	0.09	-5.04	-12.09
India	6.60	5.64	5.10	5.10	0.74	0.91	0.82	0.82	4.90	5.11	4.20	4.20	0.00	0.00	-0.91	-17.81
China	6.53	6.90	7.75	7.75	1.27	1.47	1.42	1.42	8.30	10.13	11.00	11.00	0.00	0.00	0.87	8.57
Canada	5.43	5.56	4.82	4.82	1.41	1.58	1.48	1.48	7.64	8.80	7.12	7.12	0.00	0.00	-1.68	-19.08
European Union	3.13	3.58	3.16	3.15	3.04	3.16	2.92	2.93	9.51	11.30	9.22	9.22	0.00	0.00	-2.08	-18.39
France	1.14	1.36	1.20	1.20	3.25	3.25	3.00	3.00	3.70	4.40	3.60	3.60	0.00	0.00	-0.80	-18.18
Germany	1.01	1.20	1.10	1.10	3.36	3.51	3.23	3.23	3.39	4.21	3.55	3.55	0.00	0.00	-0.66	-15.72
United Kingdom	0.53	0.54	0.45	0.45	2.95	3.23	2.67	2.67	1.57	1.73	1.20	1.20	0.00	0.00	-0.53	-30.76
Denmark	0.12	0.14	0.15	0.15	3.07	2.70	2.97	2.97	0.36	0.38	0.43	0.43	0.00	0.00	0.05	12.27
Sweden	0.06	0.08	0.05	0.04	2.25	2.13	2.40	2.61	0.12	0.16	0.12	0.12	-0.00	-4.17	-0.05	-29.01
Eastern Europe	0.84	1.21	0.97	0.97	2.33	2.17	2.20	2.20	1.97	2.62	2.13	2.13	-0.00	-0.19	-0.50	-18.95
Poland	0.47	0.55	0.42	0.42	2.36	2.08	2.26	2.26	1.10	1.13	0.95	0.95	0.00	0.00	-0.18	-16.08
Czech Rep.	0.27	0.35	0.33	0.33	2.57	2.67	2.62	2.62	0.68	0.93	0.85	0.85	0.00	0.00	-0.08	-8.70
Australia	1.25	1.92	1.30	1.30	1.36	1.27	1.27	1.27	1.69	2.43	1.65	1.65	0.00	0.00	-0.78	-31.99
FSU-12	0.44	0.62	0.66	0.66	0.67	0.63	0.64	0.64	0.29	0.39	0.42	0.42	0.00	0.00	0.03	6.87
Russia	0.20	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.64	0.55	0.60	0.60	0.13	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.00	0.00	0.02	11.11
Pakistan	0.34	0.33	0.30	0.33	0.86	0.85	0.87	0.91	0.29	0.28	0.26	0.30	0.04	14.23	0.02	6.45
Bangladesh	0.34	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.74	0.74	0.74	0.74	0.25	0.27	0.27	0.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Others	0.26	0.29	0.29	0.29	1.11	1.12	1.08	1.08	0.29	0.32	0.31	0.31	0.00	0.00	-0.01	-2.82

TABLE 17
Copra, Palm Kernel, and Palm Oil Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Production				Change in Production			
	1998/99	Prel. 1999/00	2000/01 Proj. Mar.	Apr.	From last month		From last year	
	Million metric tons				MMT	Percent	MMT	Percent
COPRA								
World	4.32	5.38	5.65	5.65	0.00	0.00	0.27	4.94
Philippines	1.35	2.35	2.50	2.50	0.00	0.00	0.15	6.38
Indonesia	1.29	1.32	1.38	1.38	0.00	0.00	0.06	4.55
India	0.70	0.73	0.75	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.02	3.45
Mexico	0.21	0.20	0.24	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.03	16.26
Sri Lanka	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Vietnam	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Malaysia	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-11.76
Others	0.52	0.53	0.53	0.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PALM KERNEL								
World	5.62	6.28	6.78	6.88	0.10	1.48	0.60	9.53
Malaysia	2.79	3.08	3.40	3.50	0.10	2.94	0.42	13.67
Indonesia	1.71	2.00	2.18	2.18	0.00	0.00	0.18	9.00
Nigeria	0.35	0.35	0.32	0.32	0.00	0.00	-0.03	-8.57
Cote d'Ivoire	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-3.39
Colombia	0.10	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.00	0.01	8.91
Thailand	0.08	0.15	0.16	0.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.97
Zaire	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ecuador	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.56
Others	0.45	0.46	0.48	0.47	-0.00	-0.00	0.02	3.49
PALM OIL								
World	19.20	21.33	23.17	23.39	0.22	0.93	2.06	9.66
Malaysia	9.76	10.49	11.70	11.90	0.20	1.71	1.41	13.43
Indonesia	5.80	6.80	7.40	7.40	0.00	0.00	0.60	8.82
Nigeria	0.74	0.76	0.73	0.73	0.00	0.00	-0.03	-3.95
Cote d'Ivoire	0.31	0.28	0.27	0.27	0.00	0.00	-0.01	-3.57
Colombia	0.49	0.50	0.52	0.52	0.00	0.00	0.02	4.00
Thailand	0.40	0.71	0.72	0.72	0.00	0.00	0.01	1.84
Zaire	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ecuador	0.25	0.24	0.25	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.01	2.94
Others	1.32	1.41	1.44	1.46	0.02	1.11	0.05	3.63

TABLE 18
Cotton Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change In Production			
	Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		Prel.		2000/01 Proj.		From last month		From last year	
	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	1998/99	1999/00	Mar.	Apr.	MBales	Percent	MBales	Percent
	Million hectares				Kilograms per hectare				Million 480 lb. bales				MBales	Percent	MBales	Percent
World	32.96	32.31	31.94	31.58	561	588	601	604	84.88	87.20	88.16	87.54	-0.62	-0.70	0.34	0.39
United States	4.32	5.43	5.30	5.30	701	680	707	707	13.92	16.97	17.22	17.22	0.00	0.00	0.25	1.49
Total Foreign	28.64	26.88	26.64	26.28	540	569	580	583	70.96	70.23	70.94	70.32	-0.62	-0.87	0.09	0.12
Major Exporters	15.48	14.45	14.78	14.63	695	750	757	758	49.39	49.81	51.40	50.97	-0.43	-0.84	1.17	2.34
China	4.46	3.73	4.00	4.00	1,011	1,028	1,089	1,089	20.70	17.60	20.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	2.40	13.64
Pakistan	2.92	2.92	2.99	2.99	469	642	591	591	6.30	8.60	8.10	8.10	0.00	0.00	-0.50	-5.81
Sudan	0.15	0.23	0.24	0.24	363	232	324	324	0.25	0.24	0.35	0.35	0.00	0.00	0.11	45.83
Turkey	0.76	0.72	0.67	0.67	1,110	1,100	1,202	1,137	3.86	3.63	3.70	3.50	-0.20	-5.41	-0.13	-3.69
FSU-12	2.50	2.49	2.45	2.39	574	638	568	574	6.60	7.30	6.38	6.30	-0.08	-1.25	-1.00	-13.70
Uzbekistan	1.49	1.50	1.42	1.42	674	752	662	662	4.60	5.18	4.30	4.30	0.00	0.00	-0.88	-16.99
Turkmenistan	0.48	0.48	0.53	0.48	435	481	394	401	0.95	1.05	0.95	0.88	-0.08	-7.89	-0.18	-16.67
Other	0.54	0.52	0.51	0.50	421	451	485	492	1.05	1.07	1.13	1.13	-0.00	-0.44	0.06	5.14
Egypt	0.28	0.27	0.23	0.23	816	841	890	890	1.05	1.06	0.92	0.92	0.00	0.00	-0.13	-12.80
African Franc Zone	2.35	2.36	2.06	2.04	374	359	351	344	4.03	3.89	3.33	3.23	-0.10	-3.01	-0.67	-17.18
Southern Hemisphere	2.06	1.74	2.16	2.09	696	935	871	893	6.60	7.48	8.63	8.58	-0.05	-0.58	1.09	14.61
Argentina	0.65	0.33	0.48	0.38	308	405	420	401	0.92	0.62	0.93	0.70	-0.23	-24.32	0.09	13.82
Australia	0.56	0.46	0.49	0.49	1,274	1,595	1,526	1,526	3.29	3.40	3.40	3.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Brazil	0.69	0.75	0.89	0.93	667	898	905	918	2.10	3.10	3.70	3.90	0.20	5.41	0.80	25.81
Paraguay	0.17	0.20	0.30	0.30	380	410	435	417	0.29	0.37	0.60	0.58	-0.03	-4.17	0.21	56.68
Major Importers	0.56	0.60	0.54	0.54	907	976	981	981	2.35	2.67	2.43	2.43	0.00	0.00	-0.24	-9.13
Other Foreign	12.59	11.83	11.32	11.11	332	327	329	332	19.22	17.76	17.11	16.92	-0.19	-1.11	-0.83	-4.70
India	9.29	8.79	8.30	8.10	302	302	302	304	12.88	12.18	11.50	11.30	-0.20	-1.74	-0.88	-7.22
Others	3.31	3.04	3.02	3.01	418	400	404	407	6.34	5.58	5.61	5.62	0.01	0.18	0.05	0.83

TABLE 19

The table below presents a 19-year record of the differences between the April projection and the final estimate. Using world wheat production as an example, changes between the April projection and the final estimate have averaged 2.3 million tons (0.4 percent) and ranged from -6.8 to 6.5 million tons. The April projection has been below the final 11 times and above the final 8 times.

RELIABILITY OF PRODUCTION PROJECTIONS

COMMODITY AND REGION	PROJECTION AND FINAL ESTIMATES, 1981/82 - 1999/00 1/					
	Difference		Lowest	Highest	Below Final	Above Final
	Average	Average	Difference			
	Percent	---Million metric tons---			Number of years 2/	
WHEAT						
World	0.4	2.3	-6.8	6.5	11	8
U.S.	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	8	5
Foreign	0.5	2.3	-6.8	6.5	11	8
COARSE GRAINS 3/						
World	0.7	5.7	-14.7	13.3	14	5
U.S.	0.1	0.1	-0.2	1.3	9	5
Foreign	1.0	5.7	-14.7	13.3	14	5
RICE (Milled)						
World	1.3	4.3	-13.3	10.8	16	3
U.S.	1.0	0.0	-0.2	0.2	4	3
Foreign	1.3	4.3	-13.3	10.8	16	3
SOYBEANS						
World	1.6	1.8	-4.0	2.3	12	7
U.S.	1.0	0.6	-1.6	1.8	8	8
Foreign	2.3	1.4	-4.6	2.3	15	4
			---Million 480-lb. bales---			
COTTON						
World	1.0	0.8	-3.0	0.8	14	4
U.S.	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	7	7
Foreign	1.2	0.8	-3.0	0.8	13	5
UNITED STATES			-----Million bushels-----			
CORN	0.1	2	-8	38	1	1
SORGHUM	0.1	0	0	4	0	2
BARLEY	0.4	2	-3	11	8	3
OATS	0.1	0	-2	1	3	2

1/ The final estimate for 1981/82-1999/00 is defined as the first November estimate following the marketing year.

2/ May not total 19 if projection was the same as the final.

3/ Includes corn, sorghum, barley, oats, rye, millet, and mixed grain.

WORLD AGRICULTURAL WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

April 10, 2001

1 - UNITED STATES

Cool, favorably dry weather prevailed in the upper Midwest during March, but warm, rainy conditions in early April aggravated the effects of snowmelt flooding. Farther east, melting snow and heavy precipitation contributed to occasional flooding in southern New England. On the southern Plains and across the South, frequent heavy rain and cool weather slowed fieldwork and winter grain development during March. Cool, dry March weather also slowed winter wheat growth in the eastern Corn Belt, and reduced topsoil moisture availability. Drought-affected Peninsular Florida received beneficial mid- to late-March showers, easing irrigation demands. In California and Arizona, late-March warmth and dryness promoted fieldwork, including initial cotton planting, and rapid crop development. Despite beneficial showers, March precipitation was below normal in most of the Northwest, where summer water-supply concerns continue to mount.

2 - SOUTH AMERICA

Across central Argentina, consistent above- to much-above-normal March rainfall boosted soil moisture for reproductive to filling second-crop soybeans. The abundant moisture also benefited late filling summer crops, but delayed sunflower harvesting and possibly reduced sunflowerseed quality. Near-normal March rainfall eased dryness in northern Argentina, benefiting late-planted cotton. In southern Brazil, near-normal March rainfall favored filling soybeans in the south (Rio Grande do Sul), and caused only brief harvest interruptions in the north (Mato Grosso and Goias). Adequate soil moisture exists for second-crop corn development. Near-normal rainfall also eased dryness across Minas Gerais and western Bahia, but scattered rainfall still prevailed across coastal Bahia and Espirito Santo.

3 - EUROPE

During March and early April, above-normal precipitation in most of western Europe caused flooding and delayed fieldwork, including spring grain planting. In southeastern Europe, showers improved topsoil moisture, but more rain was still needed to end long-term drought. While moderating temperatures caused winter grains to break dormancy in western and southern Europe by the end of March, unseasonably cool weather kept crops dormant in northeastern Europe, where moisture supplies remained adequate and patchy snow cover lingered.



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4 - FSU-WESTERN

In March, above-normal precipitation fell in most areas, further boosting topsoil moisture reserves in Ukraine and southern Russia. In southern areas, above-normal temperatures in early March prompted an earlier-than-usual greening of winter wheat and raised soil temperatures to sufficient levels for early spring grain planting.

5 - NORTHWESTERN AFRICA

In March, well-below-normal precipitation and unseasonably mild weather prevailed throughout the region, stressing winter grains in, or entering, reproduction. Drought conditions worsened in southern Morocco.

6 - MIDDLE EAST AND TURKEY

An active weather pattern across eastern Turkey further improved local wheat prospects and summer irrigation potential along the Tigris and Euphrates river systems. Light precipitation stabilized wheat conditions in Anatolia, but unseasonable warmth and dryness persisted in primary Iranian wheat areas.

7 - SOUTH ASIA

In March, sparse rainfall and above-normal temperatures in the main winter grain and oilseed areas reduced moisture available to immature, rainfed crops.

8 - EASTERN ASIA

In early March, seasonably warmer weather caused winter wheat to break dormancy in the North China Plain. Below-normal March rainfall reduced topsoil moisture for developing winter crops across the region. However, adequate irrigation supplies exist due to above-normal winter precipitation. Slightly below-normal March rainfall prevailed across the Yangtze Valley. Across southern China, near- to above-normal rainfall increased moisture supplies for early rice transplanting and sugarcane.

9 - SOUTHEAST ASIA

In March, unseasonably wet weather prevailed throughout Indochina. Above-normal rainfall continued to cause flooding in the Philippines. Java, Indonesia received near-normal rainfall, aiding moisture supplies for main-season rice. Above-normal rainfall benefited oil palm in peninsular Malaysia.

10 - AUSTRALIA

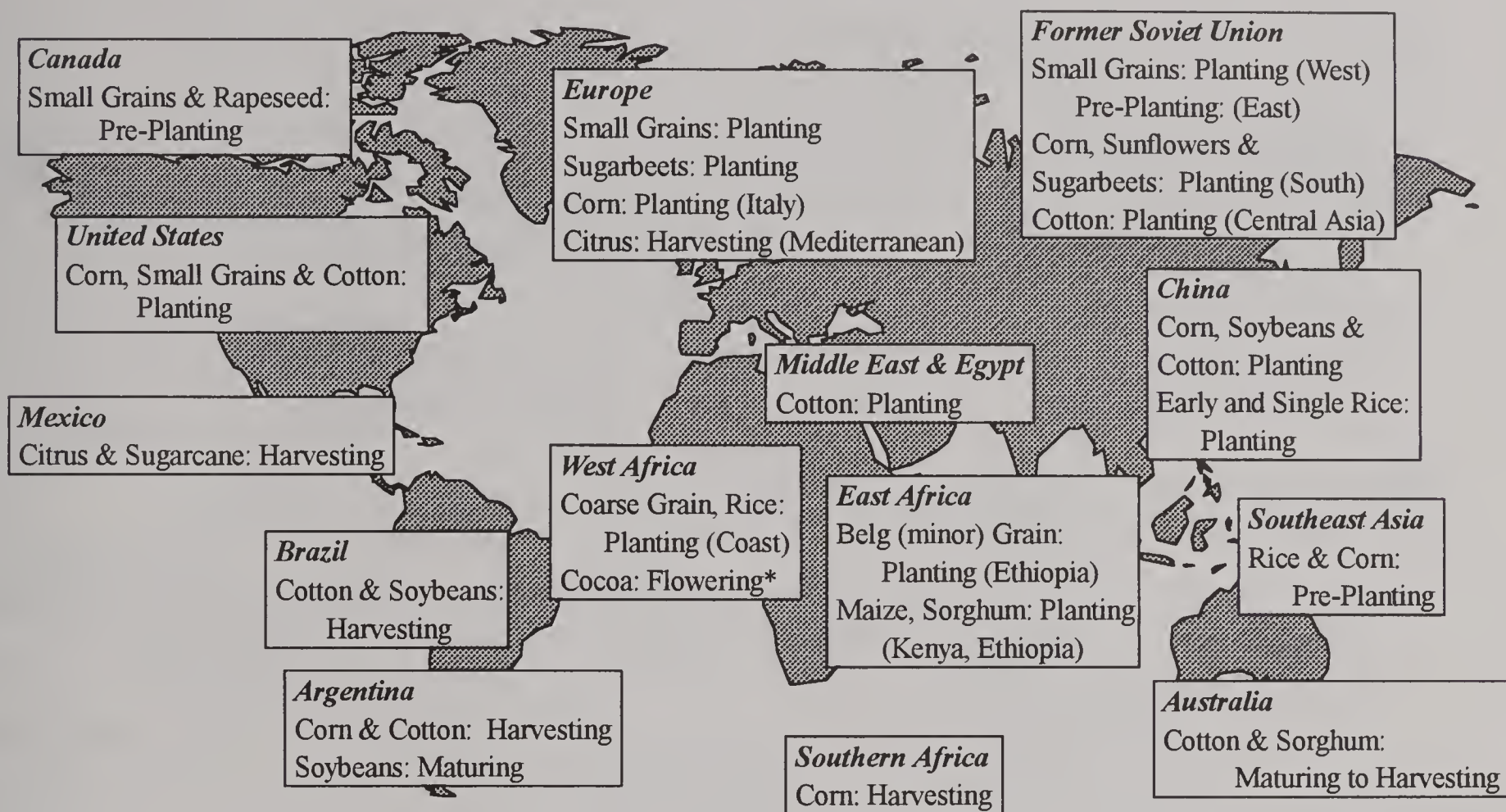
In the east, heavy rain in early March raised quality concerns for cotton and other maturing summer crops. A subsequent drying trend has improved quality prospects.

11 - SOUTH AFRICA

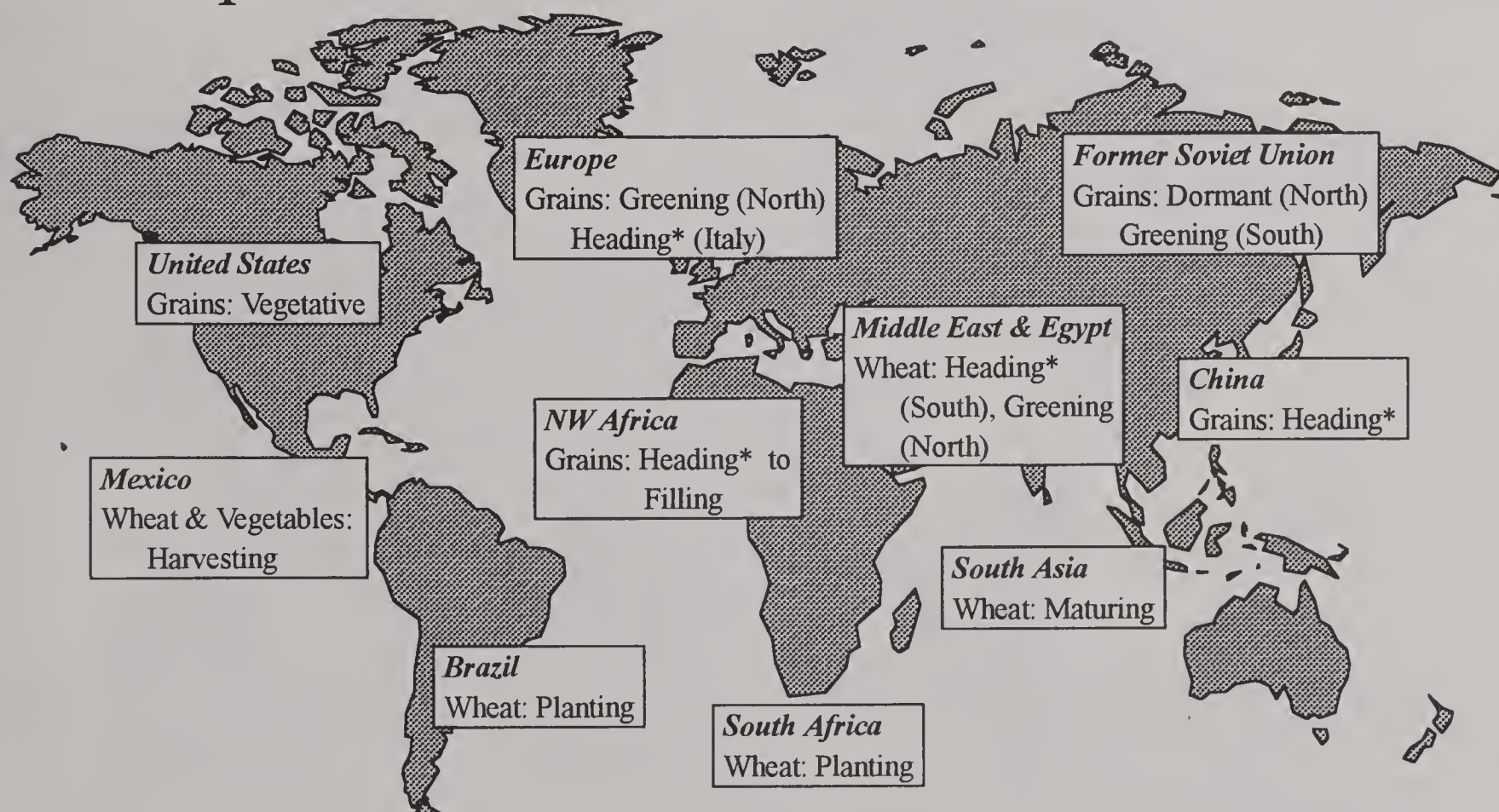
Rainy weather since mid-March boosted moisture levels for late-planted corn and other summer crops and improved wheat planting prospects.

April Normal Crop Calendar

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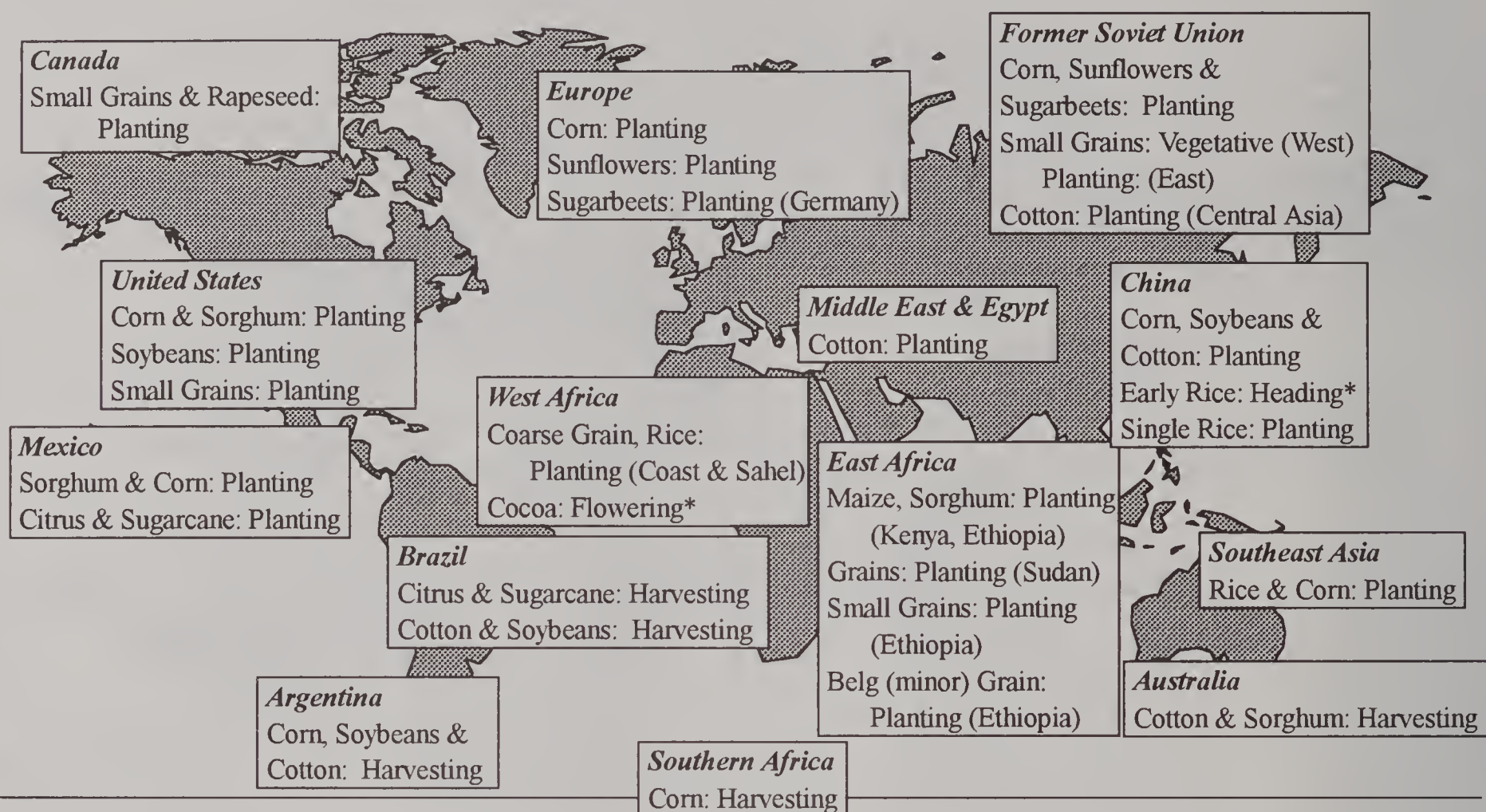
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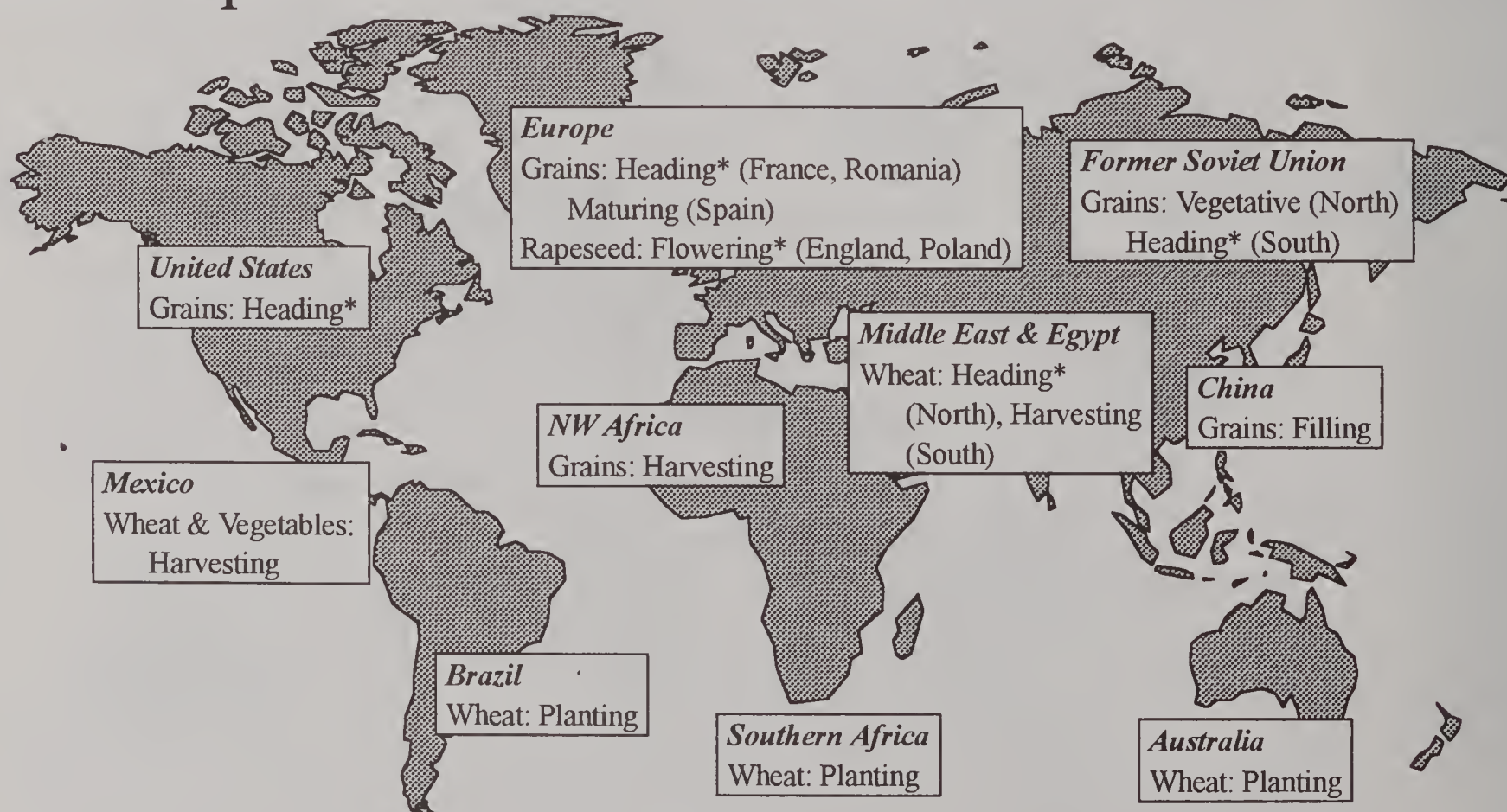
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May Normal Crop Calendar

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China: Warm Weather Promotes Wheat Growth Across The North China Plain

The North China Plain was unseasonably dry during March, but soil moisture levels and irrigation supplies were adequate for emerging and vegetative winter wheat. March temperatures were mostly above normal across the North China Plain, promoting good vegetative growth. Temperatures were also above normal in Manchuria for most of March, and soils were becoming warm enough to encourage early spring wheat and summer crop field preparation. Cooler temperatures during the last 10 days of March slowed crop development in northern China, but near to above-normal temperatures returned in early April. On average, winter wheat on the North China Plain reaches the heading stage by early May, with the crop advancing from south to north. Southern China received frequent rain during March, especially in the southernmost provinces. While much-needed rain fell across the Yangtze Valley during the week of March 18 - 24, seasonal precipitation has been below normal. Additional rainfall will be needed to support summer crops, including rice, as the growing season progresses.

Middle East: Winter Grains Nearing Harvest

Wheat harvesting typically begins in April for the warmer growing areas in the southern portion of the Middle East. This year's unseasonable warmth has pushed crop development ahead of schedule. During January-March 2001, warmer-than-normal weather dominated the region, eliminating snow cover in winter wheat areas of central Turkey and western Iran, inducing crops to break dormancy earlier than normal. Rainfall was near to above normal from southeastern Turkey to Israel, but below-normal precipitation elsewhere raised concern for spring development of winter wheat, especially in the northwestern wheat growing region of Iran. Iran had been exhibiting a favorable growing season after two years of consecutive drought, but below normal rainfall was recorded in western Iran for 2001. During the first 10 days of March, light showers swept across Turkey, but temperatures were well above normal, increasing evaporation rates and crop moisture demands. Further south, mostly dry and warm weather covered Israel and western Syria, and beneficial rains extended from eastern Syria to western Iran, increasing soil moisture for winter wheat development. During the remainder of March, Eastern Turkey and neighboring areas in Syria received moderate rainfall, but temperatures remained 4 to 8 degrees C above normal across much of the region, increasing moisture demands of vegetative to heading winter wheat. Precipitation was somewhat lighter in western Turkey with the heaviest amounts, around 25 millimeters, falling during the week of March 18 - 24 across the Anatolian Plateau. During the week of March 25 - 31, scattered showers (5 - 25 millimeters or more) brought localized relief to winter wheat areas of Iran, while above normal temperatures maintained high rates of crop-water usage and evaporation.

Northwest Africa: Winter Grains Enter Heading Stage With Limited Moisture Reserves

During early April, winter grains are in or entering the moisture-critical heading stage across northwestern Africa. The 2001 winter grain growing season has been highlighted by moderate rain

easing dryness in key growing areas of Tunisia and northern Morocco, while pernicious drought affects production in southern Morocco and much of Algeria. In December 2000, the first substantial rains of the growing season fell on winter grain areas in southern Morocco during the last half of the month. This prompted widespread planting which had been slowed by previous dryness. Winter grains in northern Morocco received intermittent showers throughout the month, aiding winter grain emergence and early plant establishment. Farther east, below-normal precipitation fell over winter grain areas in Algeria and Tunisia, with crop areas in western Algeria receiving less than 50 percent of normal rainfall. Although the dryness in these areas favored fieldwork for winter grain planting, it reduced moisture needed for crop emergence and establishment. In January 2001, near- to above-normal precipitation improved moisture conditions for winter grain development in northern Morocco, Algeria, and Tunisia. A drying trend since early January in southern Morocco has severely limited moisture for vegetative crops. During the first 10 days of February, only light and widely scattered showers fell across Morocco and Algeria, providing limited moisture for vegetative winter grains. In Tunisia, heavy showers fell across the winter grains area, increasing soil moisture for developing crops. From February 11 - 24, dry weather continued for the most part across the region. Soil moisture was becoming more critical as winter grains approached the heading stage. During February 25 through March 3, light to moderate showers eased dryness and increased soil moisture in northern Morocco. This rain again missed southern Morocco. Western Algeria received light showers that week, further aiding soil moisture reserves, as did eastern Algeria and Tunisia. The heaviest rains were limited to the coast. Some stations in southern Morocco did not receive any rainfall for the entire month of February. Also, during the month of February, average temperatures in northwest Africa were 1- 3 degrees C above normal, thereby increasing evaporative losses to already low soil moisture. Rains did return to northern Morocco on March 7th and some areas in southern Morocco saw some badly needed showers as a low pressure system moved in from the west. Rainfall was practically non-existent across all of Northwestern Africa during March 11 - 24. From March 25 - 31, light showers provided little relief for winter grains in northern Morocco, and in northern-most and eastern Algeria. That week, more significant rain fell in Tunisia helping to ease recent dryness. Winter grains in southern Morocco, and central and western Algeria again saw the lowest amounts of rainfall. As of April 10, with a significant portion of the crop in the heading stage, increased rainfall is critically needed across the region in the next several weeks to prevent further declines in yield potential.

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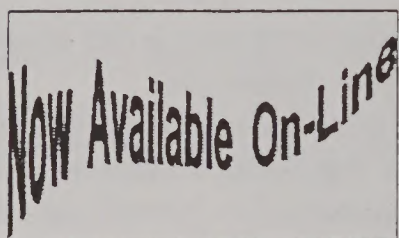
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